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LAB PARTY EXPELS AN MP

Sequel To Nenni Telegram

London, Apr. 28.—The Labour Party tonight expelled Mr John Platts Mills, a Leftwinger who was one of the instigators of a good wishes telegram to Signor Pietro Nenni, leader of the Italian Socialists supporting the Communists in the general elections.

Official Labour backed the Saragat Socialists.

Mr Platts Mills, a 41-year-old barrister, has often been criticised in the House of Commons by Members of his own party as being a "crypto-Communist."

He has been a persistent critic of Mr Bevin's foreign policy.

The Labour Party Executive wanted 21 other Parliamentary Members who figured in the incident that they must by May 6 promise to follow party policy or they also will be expelled.

Between 30 and 40 Members sent the telegram. The warning applies to those who have neither repudiated nor withdrawn their backing for it.

EXECUTIVE DISTURBED

Among those warned today were Mr Sydney Silverman and Mr Kenneth Zilliacus, both critics of the Government's foreign policy.

In letters to 21 Members tonight, Mr Morgan Phillips, General Secretary of the Labour Party, says that the Executive has been seriously disturbed by what are considered activities subversive of party policy by certain Members. The telegram is cited as a flagrant example.

Mr Platts Mills told "Reuter" tonight that his criticism of foreign affairs had evidently "found its mark."

"The Rightwing leaders of the Government have taken Britain into the war against Wall Street. Desperately seeking markets, the present rulers of America, like Hitler and the industrialists who brought him to power, are driving all-out for world domination," he said.

"Mr Bevin's policy is to surrender Great Britain and the Commonwealth to America for a handful of dollars. It increases our economic difficulties. Unless that policy is ended, it will bring our people to complete bankruptcy. Britain will become like some colony and this great country of ours will end as the slave of America in another and more dreadful war."

"The efforts to change the Government's foreign policy cannot be quelled by so petty and unworthy an act of political victimisation as the one we have seen today," "Reuter."

EDITORIAL

The Water Shortage

WE met a citizen yesterday who declared: "Why all this panic about water shortage? According to official figures we are only two and a half inches below the average rainfall for the year." We appreciated the point and sought for the answer, which is that the rainfall since January bears no relation to the water storage for the simple reason that the winter rains were far below average and in consequence the reservoirs were already dangerously low when restrictions were invoked in the beginning of the year. There is another point. One day's solid rain will normally increase the storage for a week or so, but consumption is still so high that these reserves melt away within a day or two. The plain fact is that the Colony still faces an acute water shortage which can only be wholly relieved by heavy and persistent rains sufficient to balance the winter deficiency. To make Hongkong safe from further restrictions, we need an early rainfall that will put us anything up to 10 inches above the average. If that rain is not forthcoming (and there is no guarantee that it will materialise) the present shortage will not only continue, but it may well become more serious. This is the position and it is still a matter for bewilderment that Government does nothing to drive the facts into the heads of the public. Some time ago we suggested that the Water authorities organise a campaign which would be so starkly realistic that not even

Jerusalem FIGHTING TO STOP IN OLD CITY

Immediate Order To Cease Fire

Lake Success, Apr. 28.—Arab and Jewish representatives told the United Nations Trusteeship Council tonight that they were prepared to send telegrams to their organisations in Palestine recommending an immediate cease-fire inside the walls of the Old City of Jerusalem.

Mr Moshe Shertok, of the Jewish Agency, and Jamal Hussein, for the Palestine Arab Higher Committee, both agreed that, providing the other side observed a truce, they would recommend to their parent bodies to declare an immediate cease fire inside the boundaries of the Old City.

Mr Shertok reiterated his preference for a truce which would cover at least the municipal area of Jerusalem. Jamal Hussein also reiterated his previously expressed desire that Haganah forces should be withdrawn from the Old City, but he did not press this point, and the general impression in the Council was that the Arabs would not make this a condition of acceptance.

Earlier, Awni Khalidi (Iraq) had expressed on behalf of the Arab States their view that a "truce in the Old City of Jerusalem is feasible and ought to be recommended to the General Assembly."

Khalidi proposed this Jerusalem truce should observe the following main principles:

- 1.—There should be a "freezing" of military positions inside the Old City.
- 2.—Arrangements should be made to afford complete protection to the holy places and the population inside the Old City.
- 3.—A supervisory body should be established, composed, perhaps, of the various religious groups represented in Jerusalem under the chairmanship of a Christian prelate.
- 4.—That provision for food and medical supplies for the Old City should be allowed free entry under the supervision of the ecclesiastical supervisory body.

TO SEND CABLES

Both the Jewish and Arab representatives made it clear to the Council they were not themselves in a position to order a cease fire. But they both agreed to send immediate cables to their organisations notifying them that both sides had agreed to a truce in principle and

recommending that appropriate orders for a cease-fire should be issued to the forces concerned. The Trusteeship Council adjourned briefly for informal discussions on the wording of the vital cables to be sent to Palestine.

After the adjournment, the Council President, Mr Francis Sayre, of the United States, read to the Council his following statement which, he said, had been approved by Jamal Hussein and Mr Shertok: "The representatives of the Arab Higher Committee and of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, in consultation with the Trusteeship Council, have agreed to recommend to their respective communities in Palestine:

FOUR CONDITIONS

- 1.—That all military operations and acts of violence shall cease forthwith within the Walled City of Jerusalem.
 - 2.—That cease fire orders will be issued to the earliest possible moment.
 - 3.—That the keeping of the truce shall be observed by an impartial commission.
 - 4.—That the specific terms of the truce will be elaborated in consultation with the two parties."
- After both parties had agreed in principle to the terms proposed by the Council, Mr Sayre said that immediately after replies were received from both the Arabs and Jews in Palestine, the Trusteeship Council would begin consultation with the Jewish Agency and the Arab High Committee to draw up the final terms of the truce.

In a final statement, Jamal Hussein asked why the truce could not be established for the whole of Palestine.

INTERPRETATION

It was not possible to enforce a truce in the municipal area of Jerusalem unless there was a truce in the whole of Palestine, he said.

Mr Shertok, in his final statement, wanted it made clear that the truce would include any firing from the Old City outwards and any firing into the Old City.

The Council President agreed with this interpretation. He said that the truce might be extended to the whole of Palestine were running high here tonight and important developments in that direction were expected soon. Well-informed sources here said efforts were being made privately to get the Arabs and Jews to agree to a truce on the basis of a 14-points programme.—Reuter.

Factory Fire

London, Apr. 28.—Fire, touched off by explosions in a chemical plant, drove more than 1,000 workers out of four factories in the Southeast area of London today. Firemen were called in to help the London fire brigades put the blaze under control.

Truce Agreement JEWISH ASSAULT ON JAFFA

RAILWAY ABLAZE

Jerusalem, Apr. 28.—British Army Headquarters reported tonight that railway property was being blown in Jaffa, under attack by Jewish forces.

The progress of the Jewish forces into the Jaffa defences had been slow and the Arabs have repulsed most of their attacks but had suffered heavy losses. A small number of Arabs were evacuated from Jaffa today.

The British military authorities are taking steps to prevent further Jewish attacks. It was added.

The British stated that the Jews had been firing mortars into Jaffa for the past 24 hours. Haganah radio reported tonight that an Arab battery in Jaffa shelled the adjoining city of Tel-Aviv after Haganah had captured strong points in the Manshieh quarter of Jaffa. It appealed to the Jews not to panic.

The Jewish forces were attacking British troops who had intervened to stop the fighting, according to a Haganah radio broadcast from Tel-Aviv.—Reuter.

Colonies And Death Penalty

HOUSE OF LORDS COMMENT

London, Apr. 28.—The House of Lords tonight approved in principle a bill which would abolish the death penalty for murder for a five-year trial period.

The measure already approved by the House of Commons had been expected to encounter stiff opposition in the other chamber. Despite a number of speeches against it during the two days of debate, approval came without a division.

The bill is still subject to amendment by the Lords, however, and an attempt may be made to delete

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the clause which wipes out hanging for murder.

Lord Milverton, former Colonial Governor, declared that abolition of the penalty would be "disastrous" in the British Colonies.

Colonial subjects would have nothing but contempt for a law without the extreme penalty, he said, and "a series of blood feuds" would break out.

Viscount Maugham, former Justice of the British High Court and Lord Justice of Appeal, argued that hanging as a means of exterminating killers is "entirely out of date."

"It is ridiculous," he said, "to think that we cannot in this year of our Lord, invent a better method of putting an end to these wretched persons than hanging by the neck."

He said the government should explore more scientific methods such as administering a narcotic or bricking the arm with some fatal substance.

KILLED WHILE CLEANING SPORTING GUN

Whitteman, Scotland, Apr. 28.—The Honourable Andrew Balfour, son of the Earl of Balfour, was shot dead accidentally on Tuesday night while cleaning a sporting gun in the Earl's home.—Associated Press.

TODAY'S WEATHER: Light or moderate southeast winds; fair, becoming fine during the afternoon.
Noon observations: barometric pressure 1013.8 mbs, 29.94 ins; temperature 79 deg. F; dew point 71 deg. F; relative humidity 77%; wind direction East; wind force 14 knots.

Sweeping into action for the first time since the Arab-Jewish fighting began, rocket-firing Spitfires of the Royal Air Force tonight attacked the Jewish terrorist headquarters at Bat Yam, on the outskirts of the Arab seaport, which the Jews claim has surrendered to them after a three-day onslaught.

An official announcement from British Headquarters said the Spitfires shot up Jews firing on Arab refugees trying to escape from Jaffa by boat.

At the same time, British forces, with armoured vehicles, mortars and artillery were reported smashing up 30,000-strong Jewish Irgun concentrations to prevent them seizing Jaffa. No details of casualties were given.

A few hours earlier, the District High Commissioner was reported to have told the Mayor of neighbouring Tel-Aviv that British forces would not allow Jewish troops to occupy Jaffa.

EXCITED IRGUNISTS

The rattle of machine-gun fire and the clump of mortar shells resounded here from the nearby battle as lorry-loads of excited Irgun men drove through the streets, shouting: "Jaffa has surrendered."

In Garish, the southern district of Tel-Aviv, Jews dug trenches and left the upper floors of buildings as shells thumped and whined all morning—from whose guns was not known.

Arab police fled from Manshieh police station in the No Man's Land separating the Jewish and Arab cities.

Since Sunday, Irgun forces have raised their heaviest yet barrage on Jaffa, which still carries a heavy traffic from Jerusalem, and thousands of Arabs have fled by land and sea, many in small boats.

An Arab League spokesman told Reuter in Cairo today—18 days before British surrenders her mandate—that the recent Amman pact provided for intervention in Palestine by regular armed forces of the signatories—Transjordan, Iraq, Syria and the Lebanon.

Egyptian troops would be stationed at the frontier, he added. The unification of the Arab forces' High Command will be discussed tomorrow at Amman, the Transjordan capital.

Nanking, Apr. 29.—The National Assembly delegates are casting the fourth ballot of the Vice-Presidential election: this morning with two candidates—Li Tsung-jen and Sun Fo—fighting it out.

The Assembly Presidium is confident that the fourth and decisive ballot will be held smoothly and announced that the concluding session will be held on May 1 in which credentials to China's first constitutional President and Vice-President will be presented. Their inauguration is still scheduled for May 5. However, the Assembly will continue a meeting, on business on Saturday to discuss the formation of committees after the conclusion of the current Assembly session.

On the eve of the decisive ballot, General Li Tsung-jen, who led Sun Fo by a narrow margin of 118 votes yesterday, called on the supporters of General Cheng Chien who was eliminated in the third ballot. Li urged Cheng's supporters to vote for him in the final ballot in which a simple majority is required for the election of the nation's second highest post.

Both Li and Sun bent all efforts to win over the 915 delegates who voted for Cheng. Based on yesterday's voting, Li needs 200 of these votes to win while Sun needs 317.

Sun also addressed a group of Cheng's supporters.

In a speech to 200 delegates who are Cheng's supporters, Li Tsung-jen said that China's future will be decided in the last ballot for the Vice-President.

Reds Gain Two Strong Points In North China

Shanghai, Apr. 29.—The Communists today are in control of two strategic positions in Central North China with the capture of Paochi, on the north bank of the Wei river 125 miles north of the Szechuan border, and in Weihsien, 80 miles west of the U.S. Naval base of Tsingtao in Central Shantung.

Official quarters announced the fall of Paochi to the Reds, giving the Communists the bastion about 300 miles north of the wartime capital of Chungking. These quarters said that government troops were moving into South Shensi to form a block to a possible Red thrust across the Wei river southward toward Szechuan province.

There the units were said to have reached Nancheng along the Shensi-Szechuan highway, 100 miles south of Paochi.

WEIHSIEN BATTLE ENDS

A United Press dispatch from Tsingtao said the battle of Weihsien ended at noon on Tuesday when the Nationalists evacuated to Changhsong—a village near Changlo—joining Changlo's defenders 10 miles west of Weihsien. The dispatch said that thousands of students fought during the battle, with the Nationalists "with bare hands." It added that more than half of the buildings in the city were reduced to debris and ashes as a result of the Communist heavy artillery.

From Peiping came reports that the Reds were withdrawing from Tolun, communications centre 150 miles north of Peiping. General Fu Tso-yi's headquarters said that Nationalist reinforcements were moving toward Tolun from the northwest. Fighting at Ninghsien, which has been under a Red siege during the past fortnight, was reported to have subsided, but there was no indication that the Reds had withdrawn.

Chinese Navy action against the Reds in the Tsingling area along the Yangtze, 90 miles northwest of Shanghai, was reported to be continuing. Gunboats were said to be shelling the Reds who were attacking government river bastions in the area.—United Press.

Morgue Becomes Squatters' Camp

Shanghai, Apr. 29.—Some 2,000 Chinese refugees invaded the Shaoshing Residents' Association coffin depository here yesterday afternoon and immediately turned it into a squatters' camp with each family occupying a small area. The police tried to force them off the premises but failed after two hours of struggle and persuasion.

Before the occupation of the depository the refugees lived in makeshifts near Shanghai's south railway station. By profession they are mostly hawkers, rickshaw pullers and wharf coolies.

Last night the refugees slept on the floor and the top of coffins. The depository consists of ten rows of some storied houses, in all rooms of which coffins were deposited. One of the refugees told reporters last night that most of the refugees would not think of returning to Northern Kiangsu—where homes—until their native districts are cleared of Communists.

Police with rifles are guarding the entrances of the depository. They are allowing the refugees to leave but not to re-enter.—Reuter.

"When I met Cheng Chien in Nanking he said if he could not get the majority he would swing his votes to me and I promised the same. We have the same viewpoint about the need for political reform. China needs a political reform. These in favour of such a reform and those whose will cannot be shaken requested for me."

"I will institute political reforms to assist the President. We must make political, military, economic, educational and cultural reforms to gain the support of the people and renew the party spirit."

"The party must be reformed... Corrupt elements must be wiped out. I am not afraid of the Communists, but what I do fear is corrupt elements in our own party..."—United Press.

China's Vice-Presidency: Deciding Ballot Today

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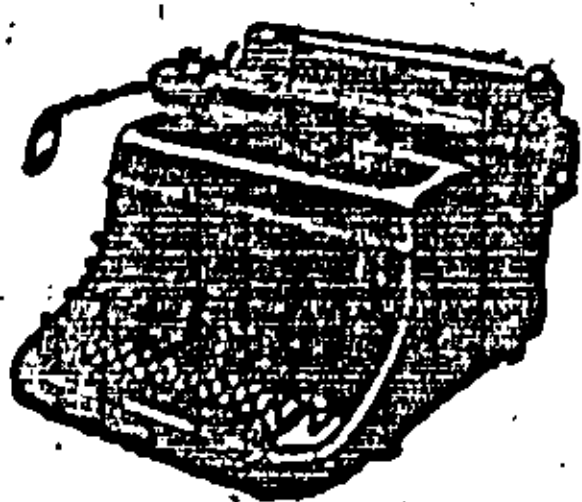
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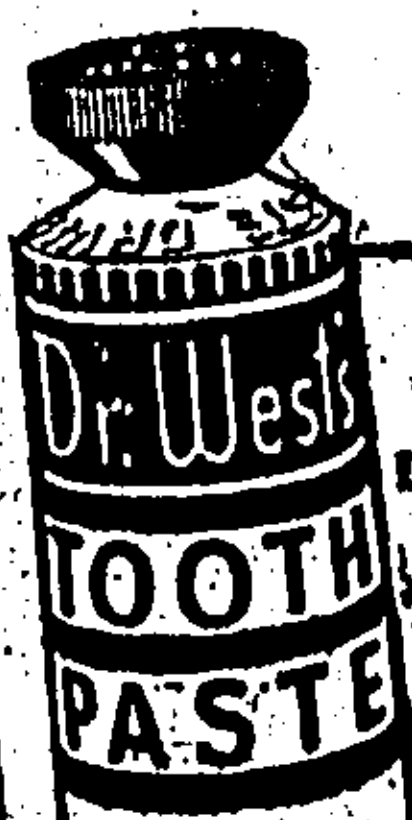
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HOME MEDICINE:

ACUTELY INFLAMED KIDNEY

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.
AFTER the acute phase of a disease has passed it often leaves behind it permanent damage which will prove a disability for the patient as long as he lives.

This is never more true than where acute inflammation of the kidney is concerned. If chronic inflammation of the kidney is to be prevented, this acute stage must be recognized early and treated.

Starts Gradually

Unfortunately, in many instances this disorder starts gradually and, in mild cases, may even pass unnoticed. In most of those affected, however, there are certain symptoms to put the patient and his doctor on guard, such as slight fever, some pallor, weakness and edema, or puffiness due to retention of water in the tissues.

In any case where there is doubt, examination of the urine will reveal the true nature of the trouble because the urine contains albumin, red blood cells, and casts, which are moulds of the tiny tubule in the kidney. A rise in the blood pressure is also often present.

Six-Week Period

In most cases, recovery occurs within a period of six weeks. In those cases in which high blood pressure is present, the outlook for the patient is not so good. A test, known as the sedimentation test, often is helpful in determining the progress of the condition. This test is made by determining the speed with which the red cells settle out of the blood. If the kidney condition is becoming worse, the sedimentation rate is more rapid.

If acute nephritis is of the mild type, the proper treatment of the condition in its early stages is most important. This treatment consists in controlling the high blood pressure and the action of the kidneys. To control the high blood pressure, some physicians use injections of magnesium sulphate in a glucose solution, given twice a day into a vein. Sedatives or quieting drugs may also be employed.

The Diet

The diet should be limited during the first few days to about a pint and a half of sweetened fruit juice. An equal amount of milk may also be employed in place of the fruit juice. If the patient cannot take sufficient fluid by mouth, it should be given by injection into a vein.

After the acute or dangerous phase of the disease is over, the patient is, as a rule, kept at complete rest in bed until the kidney has healed. The diet should be regulated and should contain enough protein, but not too much, with the elimination of salt insofar as that is possible.

The Little Black Dress



Taffeta frock for afternoon.

By GRACE THORNCLIFFE

NO MATTER what the pet fashion of the moment are, the nice little black dress that looks unobtrusively right all day, except for big occasions, is always in demand. Taffeta is used for this little number that has a round high neckline and short sleeves that extend from a soft shoulder flange. The dress buttons down the bodice to the hips. The gathers are caught by self cording at either side of the skirt and the front and back are plain.

Marry-And-Quit Hostesses . . . Sending Flying Costs Up



HOSTESS-TO-BE
BSAA girl in training. 98 have been "lost" in two years, "chiefly through marriage."

WHEN A CHILD STUTTERS

By Gary Cleveland Myers, Ph. D.

WHAT most of us need today is to calm down and relax. Ours is the age of jitter. Many children feel the impact. Not a few suffer from nervous strain and over-excitement, all stir inside.

They may show it in many sorts of ways, sometimes by stuttering. Nearly all stuttering is related to emotional strain or instability. Any measures which reduce emotional tensions and excitement and promote serenity help prevent or correct stuttering or other emotional ills.

Healthy Child

A mother said "My son seven has always appeared a healthy normal child in every respect, until about three months ago, when he began to stutter a little. It has gradually become worse."

"He does nothing to correct him as I have been afraid it would do more harm than good."

"He is a bright youngster, making the highest grades in his room of 43 pupils. He is able to read the newspaper and books for fifth and sixth grades. He usually reads good literature but sometimes reads a few of the 'terrible' comic magazines. Sometimes he listens to very exciting radio dramas. He usually goes to a Saturday matinee, and as we have only one movie house in the town, you know how the show runs. Do you think such shows, dramas and stories could be causing his trouble?"

Nervous Child

I think that boy is a very nervous child, and the gruesome and exciting comic books, movies and radio hair-raising adventures make a big contribution to his stuttering.

Usually the comic books at their worst are less exciting than the other sources mentioned though they can be fear-inspiring. Get him one or two of the good children's magazines. Even most comic books can't have the emotional force of the gruesome radio programmes and certain movies, both with their weird sound effect. Find a way to have him cut down heavily on all of them. Suddenly to forbid all of the three groups might not, however, be wise, now that he has been expecting to have them.

Movie Selection

Do some guidance in movie selection. One movie a month would be a lot for him. Unless he shows marked gain in poise and calmness after a few weeks, all the exciting programmes might properly be forbidden, since they tend to charge the while family atmosphere with jitteriness. Inasmuch as he gets on so well a school or the physician's advice, he might be kept home from school a day or half-day now and then for rest and quiet.

POSER ANSWERS

1—Violette (violet). 2—Oil cloth. 3—Percale (kale). 4—Jersey. 5—Fique. 6—Covert cloth. 7—Buckram. 8—Poplin. 9—Crepe. 10—Serge (surge).

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Don't Look Now

Keep Nails Looking Neat



A special polish with hypo-allergic qualities has been developed for women who have a nail polish sensitivity.

By HELEN FOLLETT

HOME CARE of the finger nails should consist of something more than brushing on the rosy glow. But does it? Not always. It is the opinion of your good looks reporter that women took better care of their talons in the old days when polish was not used to cover up evidence of neglect. Nails should be more than presentable, they should be in a healthy condition, of fine colouring, with surrounding cuticle neat and normal.

The cuticle should never be cut except when the nails have been long neglected and the flesh has grown up onto the nail fabric and fastened itself securely. Then the finger tips must be soaked in warm soap suds until the flesh is soft, the orange wood stick used to detach it, shreds and shags-nipped-away with the curved, needle-point scissors.

Even then, the cuticle at the nail base should not be clipped. If it is, it will renew itself and thicken. Manicurists use nippers for this purpose. They are less likely to cause wounds than the scissors. One should be wary of snipping and clipping. The slightest wound will invite infection, and an infected finger nail may develop into serious trouble.

Easy Enough

It is easy enough to keep the nails in form. After using your complexion cream at night, give the nailings to those coral sheaths upon your finger tips. But briskly. The nail fabric is transparent, made of overlapping cells that push out from the matrix. It is the blood streams in the underlying flesh that give it colouring. A five minute massage is beneficial. It not only softens the cuticle, but it imparts health to the nails themselves, preventing the formation of ridges, keeping the nails from drying out and breaking.

Some women are sensitive to certain resins and plasticisers used in making nail polish. For them, a special polish with hypo-allergic qualities has been developed.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

The Shadows Walk With Glive

—They Find Things Look Different to a Snail—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-around names, were sitting on the other side of the garden wall when Glive the Snail came up. He carried a cane, wore brown gloves, a brown frock coat neatly buttoned, and only one shoe. Why he wore only one shoe nobody knew. But it was a big shoe and he kept the bottom of it well oiled, so that he hardly had to lift it off the ground. He just slid it along—not very fast, of course, but he slid it.

He had a way of waving his eyes around. They were at the end of two feelers that stuck out of his head.

On the Ground

Wherever Glive the Snail went, his house went with him. He had it with him now. However, he rested it on the ground behind him as he stood at the open door, nodding a pleasant good-morning to Knarf and Hanid.

"Delightful day . . . deep-lightful!" he murmured, leaning on his cane, and waving his eyes up at the blue sky. "How would you children like to take a walk with me?"

Knarf and Hanid, both answered that they'd like very much to take a walk with him.

"Where will we walk to?" Knarf asked.

"A walk is a walk," said Glive. "It doesn't matter how far you go. The important thing is to have a pleasant companion to go with."

So they all started out, with Knarf on one side of Glive, and Hanid on the other. At first they both found themselves striding ahead of Glive. But he smiled and said: "He who runs much sees little." So they slowed down.

Glive knew a path that ran to the end of the garden wall. It was this path they took. But there were many other paths, crossing and criss-crossing it, each no wider than a ribbon. These paths weren't made by the footsteps of people, or by cows or horses. They were made by beetles and ants and crickets and snails. They were bug-and-insect paths. Knarf and Hanid found them very curious. But they were only curious after



Glive the Snail greeted the shadows.

the two shadows made themselves as small as Glive.

Then the blades of grass seemed to tower over their heads like great trees. And the clumps of daisy and clover were like thick dark forests. A tiny puddle of rain water was like a pond. A fallen twig, lying across the path, was like a giant log which they had to climb over carefully. Pebbles were like great boulders. They had to climb over these, too, or else walk all around them.

Here and there they came on a beetle hurrying home to dinner, or a party of ants dragging along a dead fly. They saw earthworms looking out of the doors of their underground houses. They met two caterpillars who asked them the way to the nearest tree. And under the leaves of a thistle they saw a moth sleeping soundly until the sun went down.

The Whole Morning

It took them nearly the whole morning to reach the end of the garden wall. "I think I'll stay here for awhile and rest," said Glive. So he nodded them good-morning, and thanked them for keeping him company on his little walk. Then he drew himself inside his house and shut his door.

Then Knarf and Hanid made themselves big again. And instantly the tiny paths seemed to vanish, and Glive the Snail could hardly be seen. It made Knarf and Hanid wonder how many things were happening all around them that they couldn't even see.

POSERS

TAILOR MADE

You don't have to be a tailor or dressmaker to dope out these answers. But they deal with different kinds of cloth, some more familiar than others. Answers on this page.

1. Add the letter T to this and get a colour.
2. This cloth ought to be found near a gusher.
3. The first syllable of this is a word meaning "through"; the last is the name of a vegetable.
4. This is the name of a certain breed of cows.
5. What is a ribbed cotton fabric beginning with the letter P?
6. What is the name of a twilled cloth that is usually waterproofed?
7. The first syllable of this means a "male deer"; last syllable, a male sheep.
8. Add the letters "lin" to a word for bottled soda and get a cloth.
9. This one rhymes with the word "drapes".
10. What is the word meaning "to rise high and roll"?

Height

POPULAR belief is that when a child is two years old it will be exactly half its ultimate height. Get the tape measure out on your child's second birthday to check whether it will be average or not.

Average height of British women is 5 feet 3 inches; average height of men is 5 feet 6½ inches.

Average height of Scotsmen is 5 feet 8½ inches, second tallest in Europe. Tallest are the Swedes, who average 5 feet 9 inches.

Rupert helps Dr. Lion—24



Billy's words make Rupert hopeful again and he begs him to explain. So his pal takes him across the common and points into the distance. "D'you see that old fortress?" he says. "It used to be empty, but my uncle, the wise old goat, lives there now. He knows all sorts of things and, if anyone can help you, he can. I warn you it's a long way. Why, of course," cries Rupert. "It's ages since I saw him and I'm afraid I'd quite forgotten him. I'll go at once."

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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



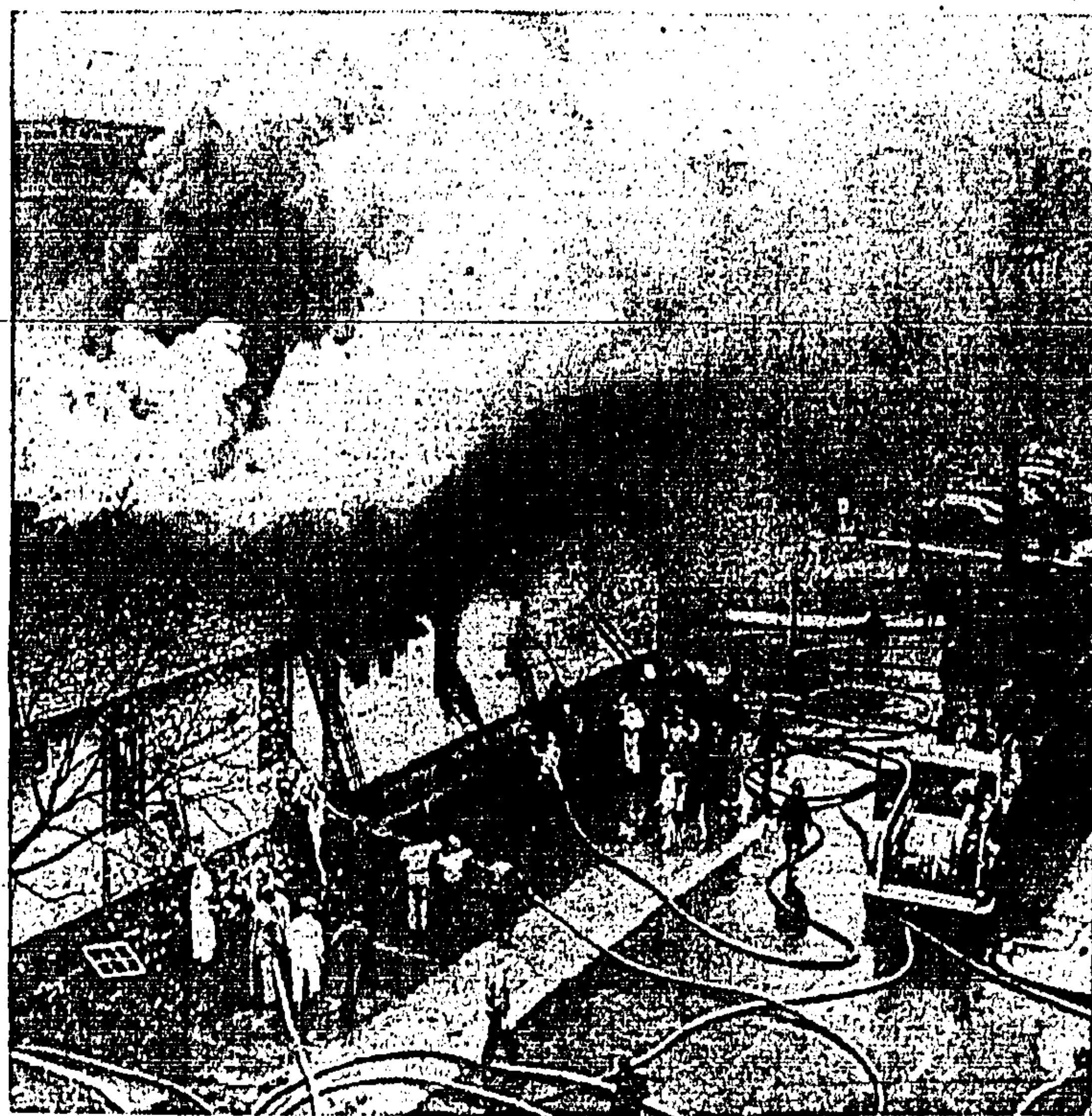
KLAN PROTESTS AGAINST SOCIAL EQUALITY—Dr Samuel Green (centre), Grand Dragon of the Klu Klux Klan, says blood will flow in the southern United States "if negroes are given a place at the side of white men through Federal bayonets." He is seen above delivering an address at a Klan demonstration at Wrightsville, Georgia. The demonstration was a protest against the Truman administration's sponsorship of social equality in the south.



BRITISH BREAK CAMP IN PALESTINE—A convoy of the 87th Airborne Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, leaves camp half way between Haifa and Tel Aviv, en route to Haifa. Britain has begun removing her troops from Palestine.



"BOY OF THE YEAR"—Frank Harrison, 14, of Valdosta, Georgia, selected "Boy of the Year" in America, gets his first good look at New York from one of the city's skyscrapers. Young Frank is the sole support of a Georgia family of six. The Boys' Clubs of America sponsored his trip to New York.



PX FIRE—Washington firemen battle a blaze in a one-story building that houses the post exchange (canteen) at the Walter Reed Hospital. Damage was estimated at US\$250,000. General Pershing's quarters, in the building showing through the smoke in the upper left background, was untouched by the fire.

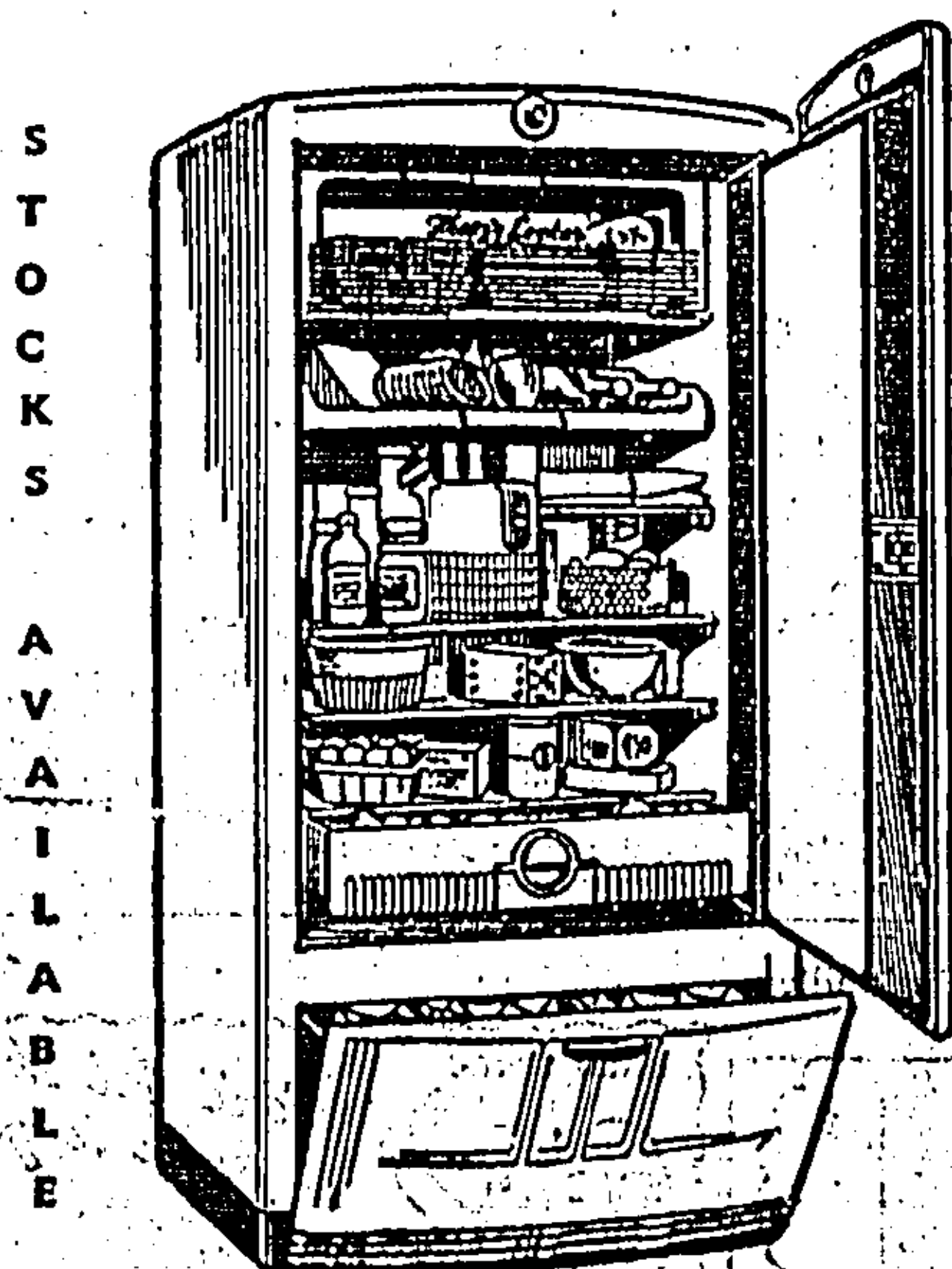


STRIP TEASER—Strip teaser Lili St Cyr (left) tried to convince a Los Angeles judge that her dance at a theatre was art and an interpretive dance of love. He ruled, however, that it was lewd and fined her \$350. A young vice squad officer testified she "shed practically everything" and then when she faced the audience "only her hands kept her from being nude and she quickly dropped them."

MOTHER WANTS TO ADOPT OWN SONS—Mrs. Donald Couzens Stuart holds her sons by a previous marriage, Michael Couzens, 10, (left) and his brother, Phillip, 5, at Cambridge, Massachusetts. Natives of London, the boys are visiting their mother on temporary visas. They want to stay in the U.S., and Mrs Stuart has filed an adoption petition so the boys won't face deportation when their visas expire.



TOPPLING A TIPPLE—Wreckage of a coal tippie at the Valley Camp Coal Co. in Wheeling, West Virginia, is scattered over the cars of a Baltimore and Ohio freight train. The latter jumped the tracks and rammed the loading structure. The wreck threw 500 men out of work temporarily.



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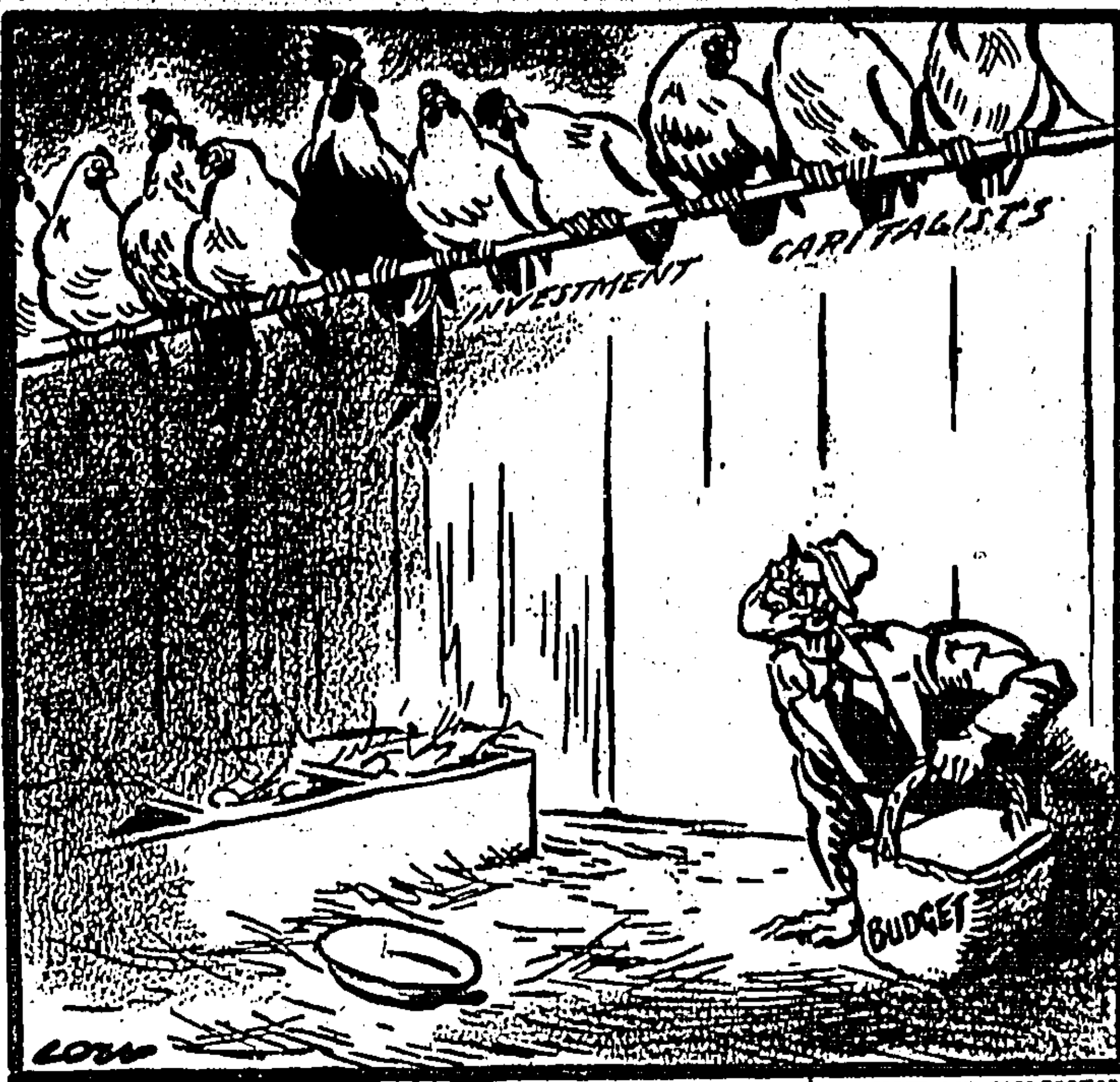

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GOOD NEWS
IN TECHNICOLOR

O LOR! ITS NOT EGGS HES AFTER THIS TIME - ITS A BIT OF CHICKEN!

JAMES CAMERON cables the first news-story to
be datelined 'Mikindani'Bado
Kidogo... IT MEANS 'NOT JUST YET'
WHICH EXPLAINS WHY THE FIGHT
IS TOUGH... BUT WHAT A PRIZE!

FOR six hours today we sailed south through a greasy sea down the Tanganyika coastline, three African boatmen with no English between them and myself, whose Swahili begins and ends with two weary words. I know now indelibly the one phrase that haunts all East African conversation, that epitomises everything in African progress, the sedative words that hang like a motto over every ramification of our great Groundnut Scheme: Bado Kidogo—"Not just yet."

This land with the greatest physical promise of anywhere, already creaking with the labour of belated enterprise, is the land of Bado Kidogo. It is more helpless than Mawana, more hopeful than Maybe. Everything is coming, but Not Just Yet.

We sailed past a spit of land into a broad bay of sullen beauty, wide and landlocked. There is a white beach, a fringe of mangroves, some huts, and one monstrous floating crane. This is Mto Mtwara. One day you may remember that jigsaw name, since one day Mtwara will almost certainly be the biggest port in Africa.

CHOCOLATE CRISIS

by W. A. CRUMLEY

who made a 4-week inquiry into the forces which brought a British colony close to civil war

THREE men embarked from Heath Row in an old converted Halifax and are now at work in Accra, capital of West Africa's Gold Coast.

They are Whitehall's commission of inquiry who flew to the Gold Coast to investigate the riots that cost 28 lives, the looting that cost more than £2,500,000, and the persistent unrest that could cost us a colony.

They will find at the root of all the trouble—irrespective of any Communist plot to set up a Union of Socialist African Republics—an incurable disease now destroying 10,000,000 cocoa trees a year, and a consumer goods famine that causes the blackest black market in the Empire.

Those stricken cocoa farms, all small holdings stretching back to the sea for half a day's flying. Cleared from the enveloping tropical forest, they produce 63 percent of the world's cocoa, much more than half of the Gold Coast's wealth, and conjure 30,000,000 dollars (£7,500,000) a year out of the glittering chocolate boxes and candy stores of America.

My map, Government marked, shows in great yellow weals the scars that swollen shoot disease has made on the face of Africa. One withered area alone is larger than Kent. There 22,000,000 trees have died.

Science knows only one cure for this virus disease—to uproot and replant. To the African farmer, lazy and ignorant though he be, each tree is a trust, sacred as the soil itself, to be handed on to his nephews and posterity.

As the looted stores of Gold Coast towns still burned, the bush drums throbbed the rumour—"The British are going to destroy every tree before they quit the Gold Coast and the Americans take over."

Gangs, organized by political agitators attacked Government workers, the chocolate soldiers, who tried to cut out diseased trees. Chiefs' men fought the gangs with cutlasses and machetes.

Sinister attempts, some of them successful, were made to prevent chiefs from signing orders to condemn dying trees.

Today the uprooting of disease-spreading trees has been forced to a standstill. The Government's £2,500,000 plan to stop swollen shoot and replant the withered acres is held up.

Not one nickel penny of the £12-an-acre uproot-and-replant grants promised to the farmers for four months has been paid.

In the next two years, whether the attack on swollen shoot is started or not, 40,000,000 trees already infected will die, and the world may have a taste of chocolate rationing.

They will probably call Mikindani, the name of the neighbouring village; Port Peanut, the can-opener for East African development.

There was no harbour, so they are creating one. There was no railway. They are making one. There are no roads, so they are laying them. There is no water, so they are boring madly for it, or piping it scores of miles.

Everything depends on everything else; nothing can be done until something else is done.

This month, they say, the s.s. Custodian will arrive with materials. Meanwhile, Mr MacPhee, the guardian of the crane, sits inside its metallic depths and broods on the ponderables of life, as he has done for six tedious months.

The others...

HERE in Mtwara Bay there are 19 men living a Robinson Crusoe sort of life more isolated from the world than I ever want to be, without the stimulation of anything particular to do until the stuff arrives.

This would be a formidable enough tropical adventure in any case, this groundnut scheme, without having to dream up trucks where no trucks are, to force work out of tractors that have rotted away on Philippine beaches, to improvise something out of jeeps that actually arrive with the big ends gone.

So much of the parliamentary criticism at home is factual, but one feels that some of the quick-trip M.P.s might have emphasised one thing.

Every so often some snarling malcontent goes home, determined to ventilate his frustrations and expose the plan's inadequacies.

One day, but Not Just Yet.

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WHY IMBER HAD
TO DIE

By PETER LOVEGROVE

IMBER on the Down, Four miles from any town, runs a local Wiltshire couplet. It struck me, as I drove up the muddy, twisting road from Warminster through rugged and desolate open country, that four was an extremely modest estimate.

Salisbury Plain, that chalk Sahara over which generations of grumbling soldiers have scrambled, is here at its bleakest. For the last five years, first American GIs, then our own men, have had their battle inoculation there with all the realism of live ammunition thrown in, and the area has now taken on the depressing aspect of any battlefield, anywhere. Bomb and shell craters pockmark the ridges and the wadis; rusting hulks of tanks and ammo boxes are dotted about the landscape; the clumps of ash and hazel trees have become naked stumps; and the light brown and green slopes of the Downs are crisscrossed by countless tank-tracks and tyre marks.

Apart from a couple of decaying farmhouses, there is no sign of human habitation until the road

suddenly rises steeply and as abruptly slopes down into the dip that is Imber, buried almost in the chalk downs.

There is nothing distinctive about this solitary little Wiltshire village. Three farmhouses, with thatched roofs, 28 cottages, a one-roomed school, post office, manor and public house nestle amid elm and poplar trees, and a small stone church dominates the community. A hundred and ten homely souls lived and worked there, lashed by wind and rain and snow through the long winter months. Once a week, a bus passed through its one street.

TRAINING AREA

On Easter Monday, Imber died—officially. It will now be used as a street and village fighting area for Army training purposes, and its only civilian inhabitants will be a land warden to discourage visitors.

The War Office has owned 25,000 acres of downland surrounding it, and most of the village since before 1934. Originally it was used as a manoeuvre area for tanks and other armoured vehicles, but owing to the presence of the village, firing of live ammunition had to be confined to two small arms ranges. For the first four years of the war, the area was used for the same type of training as in peacetime, and a safety zone of 1,000 yards around Imber allowed normal life to continue there.

With the increased size and range of modern weapons this safety zone restricted training to such a degree that when, in 1943, it was decided to convert the whole area for battle training by the U.S. Army, it was necessary to evacuate the War Department's tenants, in accordance with a clause in the original agreement.

The three farmers were placed on other farms on War Department land, and the agricultural workers were found other cottages and employment elsewhere in Wiltshire. Before they went, a War Office official told them that if and when it was ever possible for the area to be reoccupied, dispossession would be given the first opportunity to return.

A PLEDGE

Some of the tenants now claim that they were given a definite pledge that they would go back when the Americans pulled out. Lord Long of Wraxall, who is championing their cause, considers that the War Office has a moral responsibility to restore Imber to its own people. "It is a monstrous decision to destroy one of England's oldest villages," he says. Imber was mentioned in Domesday Book.

But the Government has made it clear that there will be no reprieve. In the Commons last week, Mr. E. A. Taylor at the War Office remarked that he was fully aware of the concern aroused by this decision but regretted that, in the absence of any new factor, he could see no cause for a further inquiry.

It is a most point how many of the former inhabitants would want to go back anyway. Difficult of access in the winter months, this one time peaceful oasis in a war area holds out little appeal to the younger generation, now happily settled elsewhere.

It has been said that the church has been damaged. That is untrue. Carefully fenced in, it is in good repair, everything has been preserved, and a wedding was celebrated there a few months ago—the ceremony incidentally stopping a battle. The fittings and the roof will be removed to safekeeping before the fun starts.

C.V.R. THOMPSON reports the U.S. scene

SINCE President Truman announced that he would run again in November, if nominated, a newspaper Columnist has tried to make certain that this time he will be an "also ran."

The columnist, Drew Pearson, published an alleged talk on the Palestine situation between the President and a New York newspaper proprietor.

According to Pearson, President Truman pounded his desk in anger as he discussed the Zionist activities of New York's Jewish population. He is supposed to have said: "The New York Jews are disloyal to their country. Disloyal!"

Whether he said it or not, Truman will not be able to live that report down. Already unpopular with New York's 1,003,000 Jews, for his on-off Palestine policy, he will now lose the solid Jewish vote, and that is more than 15 percent of the total New York vote.

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born in Brooklyn. I am a Manhattan man."

LOYD's of London will be re-nudged to hear that Broadway's most gory production of the Greek tragedy "Medea" is resuming its performance. During the illness of its star, Judith Anderson, they have been paying the producers £3,000 a week.

NEVER A DAY passes that the James Masons do not appear in the American Press, and the latest reason is that Mrs. Mason is calling out her husband's "gruesome, hideous, revolting, unmannerly."

"James and I get knocked flat," she complains. "And the way people stare. Why, our six cats behave better."

MAE MURRAY, a Hollywood old-timer, is writing a book entitled "What Price Glamour?" Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt is preparing a speech campaign to prevent Henry Wallace from getting the Presidency.

NANCY She's Not Hep, That's All



By Ernie Bushmiller



TENANCY DISPUTE

Mackintosh's Director Cross-Examined

Hearing of the Mackintosh's tenancy dispute was continued this morning when Mr. J. G. Meyer, a Director of the company, was cross-examined by Counsel for the opponents.

Mackintosh's Ltd are seeking an eviction order against Mr. Meyer (Mayo's Shoppe) and Mrs. Kavanagh from Shop 7C Alexandra Building, which was occupied by them before the war but taken over by opponents during the Japanese occupation.

The application is being heard by Mr. D. L. Sirellett, sitting as a one-man Tenancy Tribunal. Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr. J. T. Prior, appears for Mackintosh's Ltd, and opponents are represented by Mr. Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. Y. K. Kan.

It was stated for the applicants at the previous hearing that opponents were given a temporary monthly tenancy for the premises on condition that they were to vacate when Mackintosh's resumed their business.

The case for the opponents is a denial that the tenancy was terminable by one month's notice on the applicants requiring their former premises for their business.

Questioned by Mr. Bernacchi, Mr. Meyer said that the ABC Cafe, which used to occupy the other part of Mackintosh's pre-war premises were given alternative accommodation in Marina House, but by whom he could not say.

BOWED TO INEVITABLE

After the monthly notice to quit served on opponents in July, 1946 had expired, he was told by his solicitors that the opponents could not be vacated because of the Proclamation, said Mr. Meyer. As a result he had to bow to the inevitable and accept opponents as sub-tenants on a monthly basis until the 1947 Landlord and Tenant Ordinance came into operation in May, 1947 whereby, under section 18 (F) opponents were exempted from protection previously extended under the Proclamation.

Accordingly, in June, 1947, another notice to quit was served on the opponents, pointing out that they could not claim protection under Section 18 (F) of the Ordinance. (The section is to the effect that a Tenancy Tribunal can make an eviction order on a person who became a tenant between August 16, 1945 and the commencement of the Ordinance upon the condition that he should vacate the premises on the return of the person who was the tenant before December 25, 1941).

Continuing, Mr. Meyer said that from the time of the end of the war was the intention of his company not to let anybody have the premises. There was never any intention to offer any sub-tenancy to the opponents.

His company was a Hongkong company and had never occupied any other premises. While the European members of the staff were on war leave and before the company resumed its business it is not clear who looked after by Mr. Denis H. Blake, a Director.

Hearing is proceeding.

Drove Car Without Due Caution: Fined \$400

Originally charged with dangerous driving, Tong Man-kum, a taxi driver, was found guilty of driving without due care and caution and was fined \$400 by Mr. Latimer at Kowloon Court today.

He pleaded guilty to the new charge through his solicitor, Mr. A. S. C. Comer.

The charge was brought as a result of a traffic accident in which a 10-year-old boy, Ho Yik-wo, was killed at Cheung Sha Wan Road on March 12.

Giving a written judgment this morning, Mr. Latimer said:—

From the evidence adduced before the Court in this case, I find it extremely difficult to get a clear picture of what actually did occur. There is no doubt but that four little boys were playing on the south side of Poplar Street, that they picked up stones and had started across the street headed by the boy who was killed. A taxi No. 5564 driven by the defendant turned to the right into Poplar Street from Cheung Sha Wan Road and ran over the boy. I find it impossible to state definitely the exact point where the boy was hit or which part of the taxi actually hit him. The driver says his left mudguard hit the boy but his companions say it was the right mudguard. The driver must have been going quite slowly, as the taxi apparently stopped almost immediately, but here again is conflicting evidence as to where the boy's body was picked up. His young companions state the body was taken from under the car; the defendant says he picked the lad up about two feet at the rear of the car but Li Chol says the rear wheel was 20 feet from the boy and that she actually saw him pick himself up.

The taxi when tested was proved to be in good condition with brakes and lights all in order. There is sufficient evidence I consider to justify my finding that the small lights were on in front, but not the rear lights.

TOOK EVASIVE ACTION

The position of the taxi as agreed by all, turned slightly to the right, rather than out the defendant's contention that he took evasive action by turning in that direction. I can hardly credit that a driver with ten years' experience and one liberally charged a boy across a road and run him down. That is too fantastic for words. And no more can I agree that such a driver turning into Poplar Street from Cheung Sha Wan Road, would deliberately drive entirely on the right side of the street.

There were no pedestrians or cars on Poplar Street at the time. Then all of a sudden, a taxi appears in front of the taxi, obviously paying no attention whatsoever to the car, intent on carrying his stones home. Whether this actually happened on the right or on the left of the centre of the road, I cannot ascertain definitely, but there is not the slightest doubt in my mind that it did occur and that by reason of the lack of headlights, the driver was completely taken by surprise.

The defendant's subsequent actions in stopping immediately, picking up the boy and taking him to his mother to the hospital and then reporting to the police were most commendable.

WITHOUT DUE CARE

I cannot in this case justify a finding of guilty of dangerous driving under Sec. 4 of Ord. 17 of 1947, but I consider the defendant did drive without due care and caution. If his lights had been properly on, he would undoubtedly have been able to avoid hitting this boy.

This follows a long line of English cases (e.g. Tidy v. Bateman 1934, 1 KB 319, Stewart v. Hancock 1940, 2 All E. R. 427) and subject to the judgment or to re-examination of the witnesses, I will charge the defendant under Sec. 6 (1) of Ord. 17 of 1947.

no re-examination of any of the witnesses is required, and the defendant guilty of this charge.

PAULA BY DENNIS WHEATLEY



Malicious Wounding: Man Sentenced

Found guilty by a jury of a charge of maliciously wounding a young woman with intent to do her grievous bodily harm, Mak Keng-wu, a 66-year-old broker and flour dealer, was sentenced to three and a half years' hard labour by Mr. Justice Williams at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Mak, principal tenant of 134 Yee Kuk Street, second floor, attacked the woman, Chan Yin-mei, 28, who lived on the premises with her husband as sub-tenants of the accused, in the early morning of March 12, as she was about to leave the flat to make a report to the Police regarding an assault the accused had carried out on her a few minutes earlier.

Evidence was adduced that there was "bad feeling" between Mak and his sub-tenants over a dispute regarding the rent receipts for some time, and Mak had not collected rent from them for seven months. The woman lost her right eye as a result of the attack and her face was also disfigured.

Mr. A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, conducted the prosecution, assisted by Det. Sub-Insps. C. Downman. The accused was defended by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, KC, instructed by Mr. F. H. Losoby.

ACCUSED'S DEFENCE

The accused, in his defence, said he had attended a party on the evening of March 11, and had returned home drunk. He claimed he did not know what occurred in the flat after he got home and only recollected faintly that there was a quarrel and a struggle.

In a statement to the Police when he was charged with the offence, Mak alleged he was attacked first by the woman and her husband and he struck and cut Chan at random with a knife he had seized from her.

The jury, comprising four men and three women, returned their unanimous verdict after 15 minutes' deliberation.

The case for the defence continued this morning when Tai Sum, a buyer for the Kwok Wah Street, who was one of the men attending the party on March 11, testified that the accused consumed several half glasses of Chinese wine that evening and when the party broke up late in the night he appeared to be drunk.

Cross-examined, Tam said Mak's speech was not quite coherent and his walk was unsteady. Mak also

stared at and scolded people who were total strangers to him.

A SAD CASE

"This is a sad case and everyone will have the utmost sympathy for this unfortunate woman," said Mr. Sheldon, in his closing address to the jury. "Little sympathy, perhaps, will be felt by you for the prisoner except that it is a melancholy reflection of the end of 40 years of business life in this Colony. For the determination of this matter by yourselves, happily many matters are not disputed and there is no difference between the prosecution and the defence. For example, it is not disputed that the complainant was assaulted by the prisoner, neither is it disputed that during the assault this woman was terribly injured and wounded by him. The real difference between the prosecution and the defence is what offence does the evidence lead you to believe this man is guilty of?"

Counsel asked the jury to consider two questions, that of drunkenness, and the existence of the razor which the woman and her husband had alleged Mak had used in the attack. He suggested that as far as the razor was concerned, the evidence of the woman and her husband was indicative in that respect. No instance of that description was found by the Police and the suggestion by the Crown that the razor had been disposed of was mere speculation.

Mr. Lonsdale said it was no excuse for a person who had committed an offence to say that he was drunk unless he could prove he was in such a condition as to be incapable of forming any intention. He submitted that the evidence of the prosecution showed that the accused knew what he was doing at the time of his assault on the woman. There was not the slightest doubt, he declared, that some sort of sharp instrument had been used and he suggested that it was disposed of by the accused or by some interested party.

NOT UNCOMMON PLEA

Passing sentence, his Lordship said: "The plea you put forward in this case is a plea which is not uncommon in such offences, that is, that you were drunk and did not know what you were doing. I am satisfied that you had the intention to cause this serious injury to this woman, but I make allowance for the fact that you had been drunk. Still, the responsibility is yours and it is your duty, if you find you were at times apt to become insensible, to give up drinking."

"Had you been a younger man than I would have passed on you would be in the region of five to six years, but taking into account that you are an old man and have been in business here for a considerable period and that you have no record, the sentence I pass on you is three and a half years' hard labour."

Calling the complainant before him, Mr. Justice Williams said that the Court, and he was sure all members of the jury and others present, were extremely sorry for what had happened to her, but unfortunately there was nothing more they could do.

CHINESE PAPER SUMMONSED

Lam Oi-ming, manager, Sam Chung-long, editor, and the Sing Tao Yih Pao Co., Ltd., 177 Wanchai Road, were summoned before Mr. Aldama this morning for publishing a matter of indecent nature on November 18, 1947.

Dr. Yong Pong-took, room 104, China Building, was also summoned for counselling and procuring the Sing Tao Yih Pao in publishing a matter of indecent nature on the same date.

Mr. P. J. Griffiths is appearing for all defendants.

The case was adjourned for a week.

Suspected Armed Robber Arrested

Police last night arrested a man suspected of being implicated in the armed hold-up of a No. 8 bus in Cumberland Road on the night of April 11, when passengers and the bus conductor were robbed.

The man is likely to appear before the court tomorrow.



THE SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST, LTD., has its own fire-fighting squad, and here it is being instructed by a Fire Brigade officer in the correct method of directing a hose.—Ming Yuen.

HIT-&RUN DRIVER

Given Fines Of \$500

A hit-and-run driver, Yip Chung, was fined \$500 by Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon this morning for failing to report an accident in which his motor-cycle knocked down Tang Wai, pedicab driver, who was injured in the leg. For careless driving, Yip was additionally fined \$75.

Sub-Inspector Howarth said that Yip was arrested several hours after the accident as a result of the case being circulated and duty officers being warned to keep a lookout for cycle numbered 370. It was only a minor accident but it caused the Police a great amount of trouble and waste of time. The accident occurred at the junction of Prince Edward and Lai Chi Kok roads on Wednesday. Tang was thrown on to the ground, but after stopping for a minute or two and saying nothing at all, Yip went on his way.

Yip pleaded that he thought the man was only slightly hurt so that there was no need for a report. He was told by the Magistrate that it was not for him to judge the extent of the injuries but to report the slightest accident.

CARELESS DRIVING

Admitting the charge of driving without due care and attention, Lee Che-fan, of 80, Tung Choi Street, ground floor, was fined \$200 by Mr. Latimer at Kowloon Court today.

Prosecuting, Inspector F. Roberts said that while driving along Castle Road, near Tsun Wan, on Wednesday, Lee drove his car right to the edge of the wrong side of the road while overtaking a lorry. During the passing he hit a pedestrian who was walking on the extreme edge on the other side of the road which was 19 feet wide at this point.

Forced To Carry Excess Passengers

Appearing on behalf of the co-sworn motor junk who was charged with carrying 60 excess passengers, Mr. G. Y. Kwan pleaded guilty but pleaded extenuating circumstances.

The junk, he said, was flying the Chinese flag and had a Chinese licence in addition to a Hongkong licence, since it was trading between Hongkong and Swatow. The company was the only one which had a regular service between these ports, and was primarily interested in bringing eggs, pigs and other foodstuffs to the Colony. As the Chinese licence permitted the vessel to carry passengers, the co-sworn, on this occasion, had not been a free agent and had been forced to bring these people on his boat.

Mr. Kwan asked that a nominal fine be imposed and assured the Court that everything would be done to ensure that the regulations were complied with in future. When coming into Hongkong it was difficult to refuse to carry more than 30 passengers in addition to the crew of 20 allowed by the Hongkong licence. When leaving Hongkong, however, it was a different matter.

Mr. Cairns said that he appreciated the position, but maintained that the regulations had to be observed. He imposed a fine of \$50 or 10 days.

This Morning's Wedding

The marriage took place this morning at the Rosary Church, Kowloon, of Mr. Andrew Corsino Xavier, son of Mr. H. I. Xavier, and the late Mrs. J. A. C. Xavier, to Miss Winifred Ho. The Rev. Fr. De Angelis officiated.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. F. W. Reis, wore a smart white sharkskin costume and white hat and carried a bouquet of white gladioli.

She was attended by Mrs. Thelma Barovsky, the bridegroom's sister, in a charming pink of printed silk.

The bridegroom is a shipping clerk, of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Messrs J. Lapsky and A. P. Sousa undertook the duties of best men.

The reception was held later at No. 59 Austin Road, second floor. When the happy couple left for the honeymoon, which is being spent at Dragon's Inn, Castle Peak, Mrs. Xavier went away in a dress of maroon striped jersey silk with accessories to match.

Vagrant Sent To Detention House

William John MacPhedran, master mariner, was committed to house of detention for two weeks by Mr. Latimer at Kowloon this morning when he admitted a charge of vagrancy.

MacPhedran, a 55-year-old Scot, was the skipper of a coastal steamer on China coastal run and he lost his employment due to the feeling of the Chinese authorities in their reluctance in employing foreigners.

He arrived at Hongkong on Saturday and reported at the Police station this morning that he had no means of support.

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SPORTS NEWS

AUSTRALIAN CRICKET TOUR

WORCESTER KNOCK UP 233 IN FIRST INNINGS

Worcester, Apr. 28.—On a cold windswept day Australia's cricket team in its first match of the 1948 tour against Worcestershire did not look world beaters.

The bowling was not fearsome and two Worcestershire batsmen, Charles Palmer, a bespectacled public schoolmaster and Cooper, sound professional batsman hit up 137 runs for the second wicket after fast bowler Ray Lindwall had taken a wicket with the second ball in the first over of the tour.

Palmer made 85 by beautiful leg side strokes and drives and Cooper got a solid yet praiseworthy 51.

However, English cricket fans must not get too excited about the apparent limitations of the Australian attack.

Lindwall bowled at half speed in his many spells. Miller, the other shoek bowler was not very accurate and McCool, the leg breaker pitched them too short for English wickets.

Lindwall whose run up to the wicket the umpires never once questioned, looked as if there was a heap of latent power in his bowling. His long, loping easy run up to the crease and delivery may not be as beautiful as that of the late A. MacDonald but Lindwall at full speed will be a danger to English batsmen.

Colin McCool will quickly learn that on English grounds he has to give the ball more air than in his native Australia. And every English test player knows that when he does find his length he is well nigh unplayable on any sort of wicket.

No English fans must get too optimistic about this first day's play. Yet they can gain some satisfaction out of Worcestershire's showing that Australian bowling,

like everything else, can be hit by batsmen who refuse to shelve their scoring strokes when faced by men of international reputation.

A crowd of nearly 20,000, a record for the Worcester ground, watched the day's cricket.

At Cardiff in weather even more wintry than that at Worcester, the Glamorgan County eleven started a two-day game against Thomas Owen's England eleven which included Bill Edrich and the Surrey twins, Alec and Eric Bedser.

Rain stopped cricket between lunch and tea in this game.

THE SCORES

At Worcester, Worcestershire vs. Australians.
Worcestershire first innings 233 (C. Palmer 85, Cooper 51, Howarth 37, not out, Lindwall two for 41, McCool two for 39, Thomas two for 30, Ian Johnson three for 42, Miller one for 36).
Australia, first innings 10 for no wicket. Barnes six not out, Morris four not out.
At Cardiff, Glamorgan vs. Thomas Owen's England XI (two days).
Glamorgan first innings 157. (Davies 31, Eric Bedser four for 39) England XI 15 for one.—Associated Press.

COUNTY CRICKET

Yorkshire Leaves Nothing To Chance

With cricket prospects for the coming season beginning to trickle in from 17 County Clubs one immediately realises why Yorkshire is so powerful. Nothing is left to chance in organisation in the county of broad acres.

Their circular, for instance, shows that they have 12 available amateurs, seven players with County Caps already awarded, eight senior colts and no fewer than 99 colts in charge of chief coach Arthur Mitchell.

No other county can approach this remarkable number of men. Back-

bone of the team, of course, will be Len Hutton, Arthur Coxon, Frank Smallles, Ellis Robinson, John Wardle, George Smithson, now on the way back from the West Indies, Willie Watson, Sunderland, footballer, Captain Norman Yardley, wicket-keeper David Brennan and wicket-keeper senior colts like Lester, Hilditch, Jakeman, Aspinall, Beaumont, Whitehead, Wilson and Walker.

Another indication of Yorkshire's thoroughness is that coaching started in the Leeds winter shed as far back as February 10th, and the first team practices began on April 1, whereas most other counties leave it rather later than that.

After 24 years with Glamorgan, shire, Len Hutton, Yorkshireman, Arnold Dyson, got a benefit this season. Thoroughly deserved, too, for he has been the opening batsman of the Welsh county. Glamorgan, I notice, have set aside £1,000 to assist clubs with equipment and grounds and to subsidise professional at various centres—a wise move.

Interesting regarding Leslie Ames's benefit with Kent is that he has scored 30,000 runs, 80 centuries, taken 1,000 catches, record 127 in one season, completed in 47 Tests and made seven centuries in them. Oxford 'blue', Charles Ralke, will be deputy keeper with Godfrey Evans as understudy.

I am sorry to see Frank Lee and Bill Andrews' names disappear from the list of Somerset pros. The former had his benefit last season, the latter gets his in this. Somerset will have three captains during the season—Mitchell, Innes for May, Scamier for June and early July and Woodhouse for late July and August.

Hampshire have devised a novel scheme for the benefit of five pros—Arnold, Bailey, McCormick, Herman and Hill. Gate money at Portsmouth, Southampton and Bournemouth—three seasons will be allocated to their benefit fund and there will be collections at one-day matches in different parts of the County, while members' subscriptions will all go to swell the total.

Loss to Derbyshire cricket is the departure of Stanley Worthington to the Lancs League for Todmorden after 24 years with Peak County. Derbyshire point with pride to the fact that at one stage last season they established a record for first-class cricket with their three bowlers—Pope, Gladwin and Copson—in that they headed the averages.

CROWDS FOLLOW THE MASTERS' TOURNEY



A large gallery of spectators gather at 18th green of the 6,800-yard National Country Club Course as the opening round of the \$10,000 Augusta Masters' Golf Tournament gets under way in Augusta, Ga.

Bob Hamilton (left), of Evansville, Ind., who scored a par 72, is putting. Waiting his turn is Herman Barron of White Plains, N.Y., who shot a 73. First round winner was Lloyd Mangrum of Chicago with 69.—AP Wirephoto.

BASEBALL

Boston's Lefthander Pitches Best Game

New York, Apr. 28.—Rain and cool weather almost eliminated today's big league programme, permitting only three of eight games to be played.

Warren Spahn, the Boston Braves' ace lefthander, hurled what he described as the best game he ever pitched in stopping Philadelphia with no runs and two hits. Only 28 batters faced Spahn. Boston took the game 7-0. Catcher Bill Salkeld drove in two runs with a triple and two singles for Boston.

Johnny Vander Meer also turned in a neat performance in tossing Cincinnati to an 8-1 victory over the Chicago Cubs. He allowed only six hits while the Reds banged Johnny Schmitz and Don Carlson for 12 hits.

The New York and Brooklyn game was postponed because of rain, and the Saint Louis and Pittsburgh game was postponed because of cold.

Detroit flattened Saint Louis 9-4 in the only American game. The Tigers snapped a losing stream of five straight by bombarding four Brown pitchers, taking the game.

The Detroit victory knocked the Browns out of second place and in a tie with New York for third. Second baseman Eddie Mayo and right-fielder Pat Mullin paced the Detroit attack with three hits each. Mullin including a home run and a double.

Cold weather caused postponement of the Cleveland-Chicago and Philadelphia-Boston games.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Philadelphia	0	2	1
Boston	7	12	1
(Winning pitcher Warren Spahn)			
Chicago	1	0	4
Cincinnati	8	12	2
(Winning pitcher Johnny Vander Meer)			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Detroit	9	15	2
Saint Louis	4	10	3
(Winning pitcher Virgil Trucks)			

—Associated Press.

TURKS WANT A GLUT OF EGGS

Turkish wrestlers now preparing for the Olympic Games are apparently accustomed to have as many as ten eggs for breakfast to build up their stamina and they have asked if they can be provided with an adequate supply during the games.

This is one of many problems which Olympiad Housing and Catering manager George Brault has on his hands, for in addition to the feeding of athletes of 55 nations, he is concerned with their accommodation.

Some of the food requests and inquiries are ticklish. For example, Mexicans want to bring quantities of their own brand of cigarettes which are much stronger than British ones and they want to know whether these will be subject to duty.

This is under consideration by Government as is the question of wine supplies for several continental nations.

Bulk food gifts promised by several countries, including the United States for distribution among competitors at the Games, will be allowed duty-free.

Although most of the countries are making arrangements to bring their own food, supplemented by the ration scale for visitors laid down by the Ministry of Food, special facilities such as importation of rice for Eastern athletes may have to be given.

Brault says, "Turkey's hams, meat and other commodities are coming over in abundance and the diets of some of the foreign athletes, judging by advance information which we have been given, are so lavish that they would be too much for ration-trained British stomachs."

COLONY TENNIS

Tsui In Final

Tsui Wai-pul entered the final of the Open Singles Championship when he defeated R. Segalen in the Stand Court match at the HKCC yesterday. Tsui won in straight sets 6-1, 6-1, 6-1.

The match was surprisingly one-sided. A steady volleying player and a good retriever, Segalen was given little chance by Tsui to score on shyness, power and was outmaneuvered on neat placing and courtcraft.

The Hawaiian Chinese players travelling to the Chinese National Games at Shanghai were also seen in an exhibition match at Chater Road yesterday but did not impress particularly, being in a class below the Java visitors of last week.

The Hawaiians were Chin Sum-chang, Hawaii's third ranking singles player, and G. Lum-moy, one of the Islands' younger hopefuls.

Chinn, with Clayton Benham, is the current Doubles Champion of Hawaii.

In an exhibition doubles game against Tsui Wai-pul and Segalen, the Hawaiians shared two sets, 6-3, 3-6.

BOXING

Army Standard Rated Higher Than Pre-War

BY ARCHIE QUICK

It was generally agreed by leading boxing critics at the Royal Albert Hall that the standard of Army competitors in the individual Open Championships was higher than at any time before the war.

There were many who were inclined to view that Army would easily beat Royal Navy and Marines and the RAF at the Inter-Services Championship at Portsmouth and would then go on to capture one or two ABA titles.

That is my view too. Thanks to almost continuous tournaments against such high class opposition as Wales, Denmark, the Derby Police, Irish and London clubs, etc., Army boxers have been brought to a state of perfection and experience that far surpasses the other Services.

Men like Ryan, Morrison, Bebbington, Gardner, Scott and Murphy are far superior to their opposite numbers.

Now that the ABA have taken away the heavyweight title from George Seriven through a default in the divisional competition, the way is open, I feel, for Gardner to capture that title.

There can be few more stylish cruiserweights than Scott and, what is more, he packs a wallop as was instanced by his knock-out of belligerent Guardsman Scott.

Bebbington too. It is difficult to see where a middleweight is coming from to oust him from his pursuit of the title and his ambition to be one of our Olympic team.

ONE CERTAINTY

One certainty for that coveted Olympic vest and badge is CSM Ryan who surely will repeat his last year's performance and again become Army Inter-Services, ABA and European Welterweight Champion.

Star of the Army Championships, however, was little Peter Morrison who captured the bantam title although not yet 19. This fish market employee from Hull with the face of an angel and the fists of a demon is going places.

He won the ABA Northern Counties Championship last season when under age and in the Army final he not only outpointed the champion, Sgt. Inst. Browning, but he had him dog-tired after a toe-to-toe slam of almost non-stop punching.

He can win the ABA title this time and I happen to know that if he did he would give much relief to ABA Olympic selectors who are on the horns of a dilemma to find a bantam representative.

GOLF

REES TOPS QUALIFIERS AT SUNDRIDGE PARK

Sundridge Park, Kent, Apr. 28.—Dai Rees, British Ryder Cup golfer headed 35 qualifiers into the final stages of the Daily Mail £2,500 stroke tournament today, returning 139 for the 36-hole test over the 6,528 yards Sundridge Park course.

Rees had a second round of 71, good scoring on a cold windy day. Bill Branch and Sam King also a Ryder cup golfer, were placed second at 140.

Overseas golfers, Belgium's Flori Van Donck and Australia's Norman Von Nida scored 140 and 147 respectively to get into the qualifying list.—Associated Press.

ENGLISH AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Birmingham, Apr. 28.—Charles Sloan, last year's runner-up in the English Amateur golf championship and warm favourite for this year's title, easily reached the last 32 today when he beat R. W. Sandilands five and three in the third round of the tournament at Little Aston.

All former titleholders have been eliminated, while only one "artisan" golfer remained—George Evans, a gardener who proved too good for Syd Wakelam, who went down in a three and two defeat.

The day's best performance thus far has been that of Arthur Perowne, who gained a crashing eight and seven win over Robert Cuptit in the second round match. Most of today's competitors were handicapped by a strong, chilly wind.

SURPRISE OF DAY

The surprise of the day came when the champion of Cheshire, Pat Clark, beat the former champion, Harry Bentley, in the third round, three and two.

Another upset occurred in the third round when Kenneth Thom, runner-up in the championship of 1946, was beaten three and two by John Graham from Kent with a delightful style and ice-cool temperament. Thom picked the titleholder, Gerald Mickelton, in the first day of the tournament.

The 18-year-old Norwich youth, Arthur Perowne, after his crashing

eight and seven win in the second round, was beaten five and three in the third round by Eric Perry of Staffordshire, who is also prominent in the soccer, football and cricket fields.

The veteran pub-keeper, burly Sam Kennedy, was sent back to his Scunthorpe bar in the third round by G. F. Clarke, who won two and one.—United Press.

MOOR PARK TOURNEY

By ARCHIE QUICK

When one sees a golf professional, and a Scottish international at that, take 13 at par four hole then one gets some consolation for the deficiencies of one's own golf. Yet that was the unhappy experience of Tom Halliburton, once of Buchanan Castle Club and now of Knote Bristol, at the far from difficult fifth hole at Moor Park course, Rickmansworth, when the first professional tournament of what promises to be a record season opened. Halliburton found himself trapped in the bunker with his second shot and took seven more to get out.

The tournament lacked the personalities of Bobby Locke and Henry Cotton but everyone else was there and last year's winner, Alf Padgham of Sundridge Park, proved the axiom of horses for courses by having an opening round of 65.

Alf seems to know every blade of grass at Moor Park and his figures were obtained by immaculate golf which I do not expect to see equalled this season for its power and precision. Yet even this score was not sufficient to give him the first round lead.

This was due to the remarkable round of 64 by the 27-year-old Bush Hill Park assistant, Reginald Taylor, son of old Jack who for so many years has been the professional at Potters Bar.

It was good to see young blood like this outstriking Whitcombe, Rees, and Von Nida from the headlines. All this was accomplished on the West Course which is 500 yards shorter and about four shots easier than the High Course.

So there was outstanding merit in veteran Reg Whitcombe's 70 on more difficult ground. He was two strokes better than anyone else bar two here and writing before the second round was played I say that this effort definitely placed him among the prize money.

Ryder Cup men of last season were not too prominent and one of them, Max Faulkner, told me that during the trip to the United States he was invited to take a permanent coaching engagement in San Francisco but the idea did not appeal to his wife.

He spoke to me of one of the mysteries of this fascinating game of golf. Last season Max consistently returned low scores, received high places in tournaments and earned himself a trip to America. This season he says he is playing a much better standard of golf but cannot get the scores.

He blames this on to weakness on round greens and putting trouble, bogey of most of us. Open Champion Fred Daly too is happy with his game and told me he is confident home golfers will resist the strong American challenge in the Open Championship as he did last year.

CHESS

WORLD TOURNEY

Moscow, Apr. 28.—Samuel Reshevsky, United States chess champion, is again in second place in the tournament for the world title, having defeated Paul Keres USSR champion, who resigned the adjourned 18th round game on Wednesday without further play.

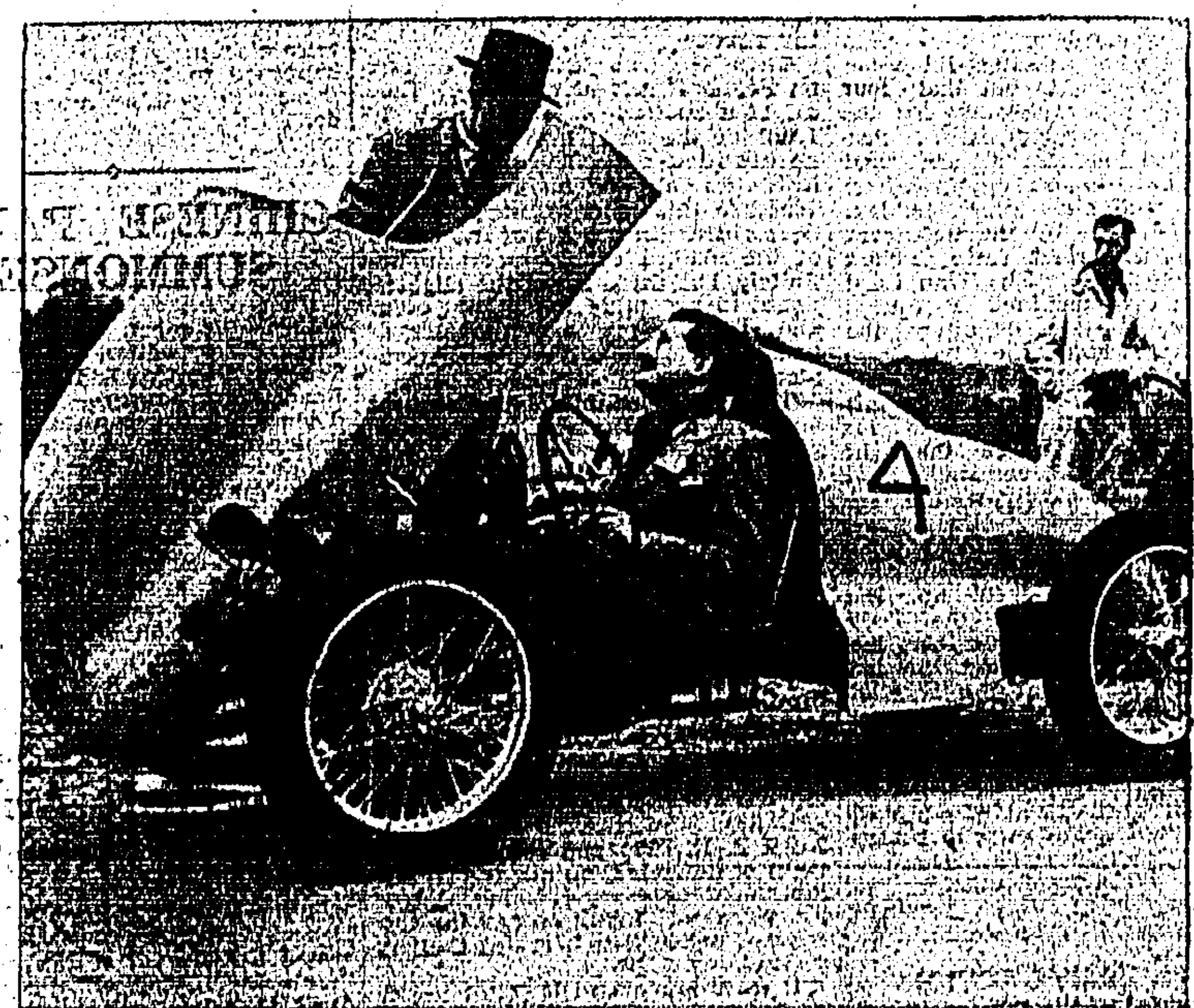
The game between Botvinnik and Smyslov ended in a draw after the 18th move.—Associated Press and Reuter.

Scores, with two more rounds to go are: Botvinnik 10, Reshevsky, Keres and Smyslov 7½, Euwe 3½.

CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES TONIGHT

The second round of the Colony Open Chess Championship final starts this evening at the Peninsula Hotel.

The games will be L. Schure v. P. K. Prokopov, F. X. Sequiera v. Ray Danenberg, and K. M. A. Barnett v. J. P. de Carvalho.



THE MAKE-IT-YOURSELF CAR—Racing driver Lord David Strathcarron sits in the new "Marwyn" at Luton Hoo, England. The car is unique in that it is sold in parts, and the buyer can make his own design, fitting his own "body" to the chassis. The light car will do 100 miles an hour.



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SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"The lady across the street heard I had the flu and brought me a bowl of soup today, George—I'm afraid we've moved into an old-fashioned neighborhood!"

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

If Shifting Suits, Have Sound Reason

By WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

♠ 88	♥ 854	♦ 1032	♣ 884
♠ QJ76	♥ 3	♦ 1032	♣ 884
♠ 3	♥ 8	♦ 1032	♣ 884
♠ AK8	♥ 3	♦ 1032	♣ 884
♠ QJ3	♥ 3	♦ 1032	♣ 884

Today's lesson hand centres around the line of attack. Most good players will tell you not to shift suits unless you have a sound theory behind it.

This hand is not difficult for the defence to analyse. The opening lead does not look like a single-ten. When South wins the ace, he can feel pretty sure of winning the ace of spades and king of clubs.

If he leads a heart, he may do no harm, but he may be afraid that any other lead might give declarer his contract. This kind of reasoning is wrong. Making a neutral lead at this point is foolish.

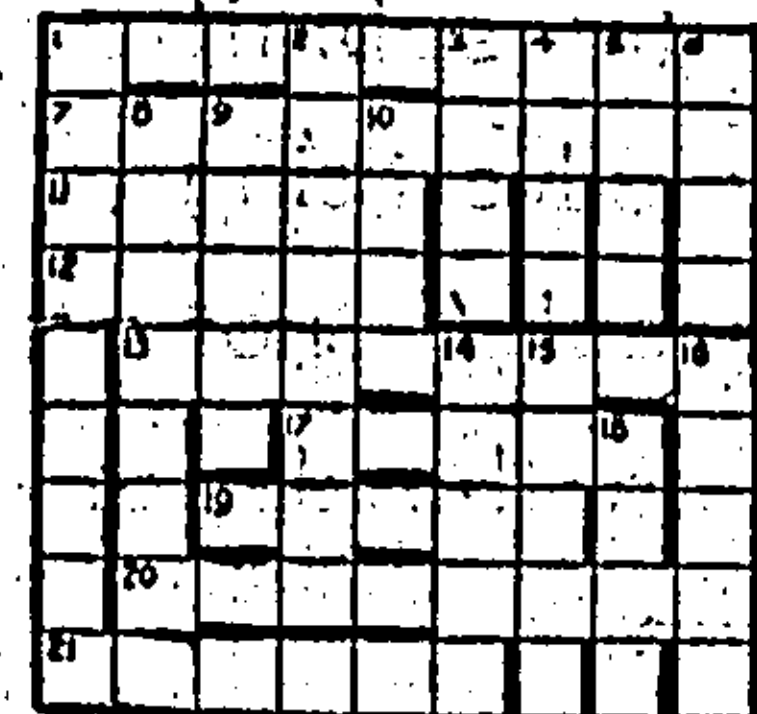
South knows that declarer in all likelihood holds either the queen or jack of clubs. If he holds both, dummy's ace of clubs will become valuable for drawing trumps. So there is nothing to be gained by leading a club, and it might cost a trick. A heart lead might give declarer the timing to establish the club.

So the only chance to defeat the contract is to create a diamond trick for North. If declarer has the ace, king and queen of diamonds, nothing can be done. But South should lead a diamond immediately.

You can see what happens. If a heart were led, declarer would win it and knock out the ace of trumps. If South shifts to a diamond then, West will win, knock out the king of clubs, and even though South returns another diamond, West can get a discard on the ace of clubs.

But if a diamond is led at trick two, West wins, knocks out the trump ace, wins South's diamond return—and South gets in with the king of clubs and leads the third diamond and defeats the contract.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across
1. At the bowl (anagram). (6, 8)
2. When you get the Nelson touch. (5, 4)
11. Elephantine way of proving that you are an alternative. (6)
12. Make a change in cadre. (8)
13. Make a change to make Eden free. (6)
17. Metaphor called "middle-aged."

Check Your Knowledge

- When was penicillin made available commercially?
- When and by whom was penicillin discovered?
- What bird can fly backward as well as forward?
- Who led the people of Israel after Moses died?
- What people are nicknamed "blue noses"?

(Answers on Column 5)

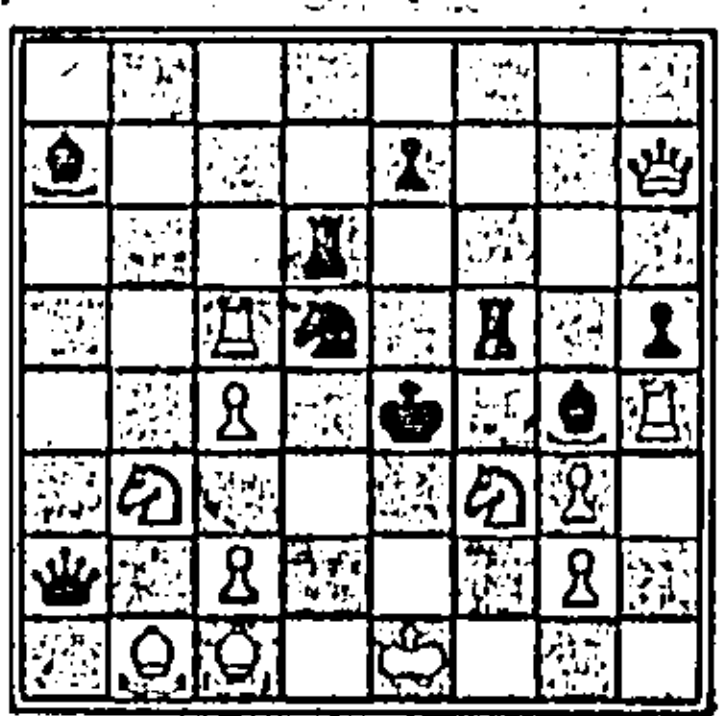
DUMB BELLS



CHESS PROBLEM

By C. J. R. SAMMELIUS (BCF Tourney 54)

Black, 9 pieces.



White, 12 pieces.
White to play and mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. R-R7; threat 2. R-Q7 1... B-K7, K-Q4; 2. R-R5 (ch); 1... R-QB1; 2. R-K7 (ch).

YOUR BIRTHDAY..... By STELLA

THURSDAY, APRIL 29

BORN today, you are a person of contrasts in temperament, which makes you difficult to understand. Only those very close to you know the real "you." You have a very active and quick mind and know how to arrange your thoughts logically. On the other hand, you are, by nature, very intuitive and this makes it difficult, at times, for you to separate your "hunches" from your other reasoning. Because of this division, you are often hesitant when you should be decisive and quicker to act.

You are very proud and want to go your own way without others helping. This self-willed attitude is all right in some degree, but if it becomes an egotistic haughtiness, which puts you on a pedestal of your own making, then you have defeated any good that it can ultimately bring you. Your memory is unusually accurate, and you cannot be fooled by the distortion of facts by those who are trying to hoodwink you. You are very impatient when it comes to getting what you want and right at the minute you want it, too. You are not as tolerant, either of those who try to stand in your way of progress.

You women, however, are not quite as dominating in your attitude towards life. There is much more romanticism in your make-up and you enjoy beautiful things just for the esthetic pleasure they give you. A little too inclined to be fond of rich food, you will need to watch the calories as you grow older unless you can discipline your appetite.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Favourable for inventions, especially if they have to do with transportation or shipping interests.

GEMINI (Mar. 22-June 22)—Caution should guide your activities in the buying and selling field but if you are alert you should make a profit.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Be diplomatic and tactful with your co-workers this morning. Nerves may be on edge. Calm troubled waters.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Use care in employment and business affairs. Don't overlook important detail work. Look into everything carefully.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Be neither a borrower nor a lender these days. Pay attention to your own problems and solve them. Let others do the same thing.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Your emotions may cause you some trouble today unless you keep them strictly under control. Calmness counts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Artistic ventures, especially those having to do with photography, appears best suited for expansion now.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Be conservative and moderate. Postpone all important decisions until later on if at all possible.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If you act wisely, you may gain an advantage when others might not today. Keep alert and on your toes.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Better to hold the line rather than get drawn into gigantic expansion plans. Not the time to over play your hand.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Initiative can count for considerable but you will also need patience to overcome some minor difficulties.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Begin work is important when it comes to solving a problem. Don't be impatient if the solution seems slow in coming. It will.

SCIENCE AT WORK:

INFANTILE PARALYSIS CONFERENCE IN JULY

By PAUL F. ELLIS

THE world's top scientists in the fight against infantile paralysis will meet in New York in July.

It will be the first international conference on this disease which in recent years has been breaking out in epidemic proportions throughout the world. The information exchanged during the meeting is expected to help all countries fight the disease.

Dr. Hart E. Van Riper, medical director of the U.S. National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, has appointed 10 members of his search authorities as presiding officers for the plenary sessions of the conference.

Each of the presiding officers, he said, will be assisted by a panel composed of international authorities who have done special work on particular phases of the problem.

ZBW RADIO

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 9.01. Children's Story: "Peter Duck" by Arthur Ranmore. Episode 16: "Blazing Trail" Read by Captain Flit (Studio). 9.15. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 9.20. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 9.25. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 9.30. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 9.35. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 9.40. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 9.45. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 9.50. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 9.55. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 10.00. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 10.05. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 10.10. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 10.15. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 10.20. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 10.25. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 10.30. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 10.35. "The R.A.F. and the U.S. Navy" (Studio). 10.40. 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PALESTINE WITHDRAWAL MUST GO ON

Too Late To Reverse Process, Says Bevin

London, Apr. 28.—The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, insisted today that Britain could not "at this late hour" reverse the process of her withdrawal from Palestine.

Mr. Bevin was asked in Parliament under what circumstances the British Government was prepared to carry on, or take part, in the administration of Palestine after May 15—when the mandate is due to end.

Military Lend-Lease Possible

Washington, Apr. 28.—The Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall, said today that the State Department was considering the provision of military lend-lease to the signatories of the Western European Union.

At his first press conference since his return from the Inter-American Conference at Bogota, Mr. Marshall declined to give any other information about proposals to implement President Truman's promise of support for the Western, made on March 15.

He emphasised that military lend-lease was only one of a number of factors under consideration in connection with the implementation of President Truman's statement.

Mr. Marshall declined to say whether he had discussed American policy towards the Western European Union with Senator Arthur Vandenberg, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Mr. Marshall said he had no plans for a meeting with the British and French Foreign Ministers to discuss the Western European Union.—Reuter.

West'n Union Defence Talks

London, Apr. 28.—The Defence Minister, Mr. A. V. Alexander, said today that the three heads of the armed forces, the Chief of the Imperial General Staff, the Chief of the Royal Air Force, and the Chief of the Royal Navy, were to start in London on Friday.

In addition to Mr. Alexander, the delegation will consist of Lord Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Admiral Sir John Cunningham, First Sea Lord, Marshal of the Royal Air Force Lord Tedder, Sir Harold Parker, Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Defence, and Lieutenant General Sir Leslie Hollis, Chief Staff Officer to the Ministry of Defence and Deputy Military Secretary to the Cabinet.

The French Minister of Defence, M. Pierre Teilhet, will be accompanied, it is learned, by the newly-appointed Chief of Combined Staff—a post created today by the French Cabinet presumably for the London talks.

The Dutch delegation is to be the Defence Minister, Colonel A. H. J. L. Fievez, the Chief of General Staff, Lieutenant-General H. Kruls, the Chief of Naval Staff, Vice-Admiral Jonkhoeer E. Van Holle.

Belgium will be represented by Colonel de Faëlle, the Defence Minister, General Baels, Chief of General Staff, Colonel Le Bouille, Chief of Air Staff, General of the Technical Services.

The Luxembourg delegates are M. Lambert Schaus, Minister of the Armed Forces, and Colonel Jacoby, Commander-in-Chief of the Luxembourg Armed Forces.—Reuter.

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The Foreign Secretary replied by recalling a statement by the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, in New York last October that, if there was a settlement between the Jews and Arabs, the British Government would, if desired, continue the administration of Palestine during the limited period before the transfer of independence and would consider an invitation to take part in giving effect to such a settlement in partnership with other members of the United Nations.

"But there has been no agreement between Jews and Arabs," Mr. Bevin said.

"Moreover, the withdrawal of British administrative personnel has begun and is proceeding rapidly and we cannot reverse the process at this late hour."

NO NEGOTIATIONS

Mr. Bevin denied that any negotiations were taking place in the United States to require the presence of British troops in Palestine after August 1—the date by which the British Government intends them to be withdrawn.

"The only negotiations going on are those in the United Nations," he said.

Mr. Seymour Cocks, Labour, drew Mr. Bevin's attention to a "public declaration by King Abdullah of Transjordan that he intended to invade Palestine."

He asked what Mr. Bevin intended to do about this under the terms of Britain's alliance with Transjordan.

Mr. Bevin replied that he did not see what steps under the terms of the alliance with Transjordan this announcement required.

Mr. Bevin said the intention was that the withdrawal of the Arab Legion from Palestine should be completed before the mandate ended. The British Government was obliged by the treaty to pay a subsidy to Transjordan for the Arab Legion and to provide certain British Service personnel for that force.

"Those obligations would still be in force when the mandate ended."

BRITISH EQUIPMENT

Mr. Ben Levy, Labour, asked if the supply of British equipment, money, and officers was to continue to Transjordan irrespective of whom they might elect to attack.

Mr. Bevin replied: "You must not assume that. This matter is before the United Nations and I must await the result of the discussions. I am not going to be drawn into promises and commitments about the Transjordan force until I know the final decision of the United Nations."

Mr. Tufton Beamish, Conservative, asked if it would be inaccurate and misleading to describe the entry of Arab troops into Arab parts of Palestine for the protection of Arab interests at the Arabs' request as invasion?

Mr. Bevin: "I prefer not to enter into hypothetical discussions at this stage."

Mr. Cocks asked whether the Foreign Secretary would not suspend delivery of arms to the Arab States and whether he would allow the Jews to have arms with which to defend themselves in view of the War Council of the Arab States just held in Transjordan.

Mr. Bevin: "From all my information from Palestine at the moment, it seems to me that the Jews are the best armed, but I cannot draw distinctions."—Reuter.

Stassen Wins More Support For Presidency

Philadelphia, Apr. 28.—Candidate Harold E. Stassen rode a two to one Philadelphia lead to an approximate 5,000 vote victory today in industrial Pennsylvania's Republican preferential primary.

The former Minnesota governor, fresh from successes in agricultural Wisconsin and Nebraska, said the Pennsylvania results "may turn out to be a key event in the nomination."

"The support which I have been receiving in the rural areas, as evidenced by the Nebraska returns, now seems to be developing in the industrial areas," he told reporters.

But Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York, Stassen's only close competitor in this exclusively written-in ballot, said the "spontaneous" vote he received was "particularly gratifying."

And Governor James H. Duff of Pennsylvania, who has not disclosed his support for any candidate, said the Dewey total "had the most significance."

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District Officer's Baggage Incident

HOUSE OF COMMONS QUESTIONS

London, Apr. 28.—An incident which resulted in the fining of two Dyaks for failure to assist in transporting the baggage of a district officer from Man-pong Srou to Kanpong Hundou was raised in the House of Commons today.

Mr. William Teeling, Conservative, asked for the name of the district officer and that of the district judge who tried the case and convicted the men.

Mr. Christopher Mayhew, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replying on behalf of the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, who is in the United States, said: "Under the Sarawak Native Administration Order No. 5 of 1930, certain duties are laid upon headmen; in the carrying out of which every native is obliged to assist."

"The provision of transport for administrative officers when travelling in their areas is one of these duties. The Dyaks in question were prosecuted by their headmen for failure to assist in this way on the occasion of an official journey by Mr. J. R. Outram, a district officer, and were convicted and fined by a Magistrate named Abang Opong. There is no evidence to suggest that these men were supporters of Mr. Anthony Brooke."

Mr. Quintin Hogg, Conservative, asked when a reply would be sent to the formal request of Mr. Justice T. A. Brown, a judge of the Supreme Court in Singapore, dated November 21, 1947, for a certificate of the Secretary of State regarding the status of the Sultan of Johore.

COCOANUT THEIVING

Mr. Mayhew replied that the Colonial Secretary had just received from Malaya a material document for which he was waiting and would now give his reply to the court.

When Mr. Leonard Gammal, Conservative, asked what had been done to prevent the widespread stealing of coconuts in the Kuala Langat district of Malaya, Mr. Mayhew said the Colonial Secretary had asked the High Commissioner for the Federation of Malaya for a report.

Mr. Reginald Sorensen, Labour, asked what plans had been made for large-scale agricultural production in Borneo; from what sources it was proposed to recruit the labour; and whether the Colonial Secretary would give an assurance that no immigrant labour would be introduced into Borneo unless steps were taken from the beginning to enable these to become integrated as part of the local population if they so desired.

Mr. Mayhew replied: "No definite arrangements have yet been concluded as to the possible sources of labour. Any policy of encouraging settlement in North Borneo of suitable labour will be subjected to the protection of the rights of the indigenous population."

The Colonial Secretary is considering proposals for two small pilot rice schemes as further invest-

H.K. Food Parcels

British Trawlers Released

Captains Fined For Illegal Fishing

Oslo, Apr. 28.—Two of three British trawlers detained by Norwegian authorities for fishing in Norwegian territorial waters were released today after their captains agreed to pay penalties of 20,000 Kroner or about £1,000.

The police at Kirkenes told the Associated Press that Captain Charles Roberts of the Fotherby Fleetwood and Captain Robert Wilson of the Equerry Grimby admitted that they had been fishing in Norwegian waters when they were seized by a Norwegian corvette on Monday night.

They said they each had caught about 21 tons of fish in the waters near Kirkenes.

Captain Arthur Green of the Laccenia Grimby, denied fishing in Norwegian waters, but was fined 100 Kroner "because his fishing gear was on deck and he was obviously preparing to fish when detained," the police said.

The Laccenia left Kirkenes later on Tuesday night.

The police spokesman said the niches of the first two trawlers were left at Kirkenes and would not be used by the Norwegian authorities.

Roberts' home is at Hesse near Hull, Yorkshire and Wilson and Green are from Grimby.—Associated Press.

Vote "Poll Tax"

Washington, Apr. 28.—A Bill to outlaw the "poll tax"—a payment required for voting in a national election, still enforced in seven southern states was sent to the United States today by its Rules Committee.

The tax is a measure aimed at reducing the negro vote.—Reuter.

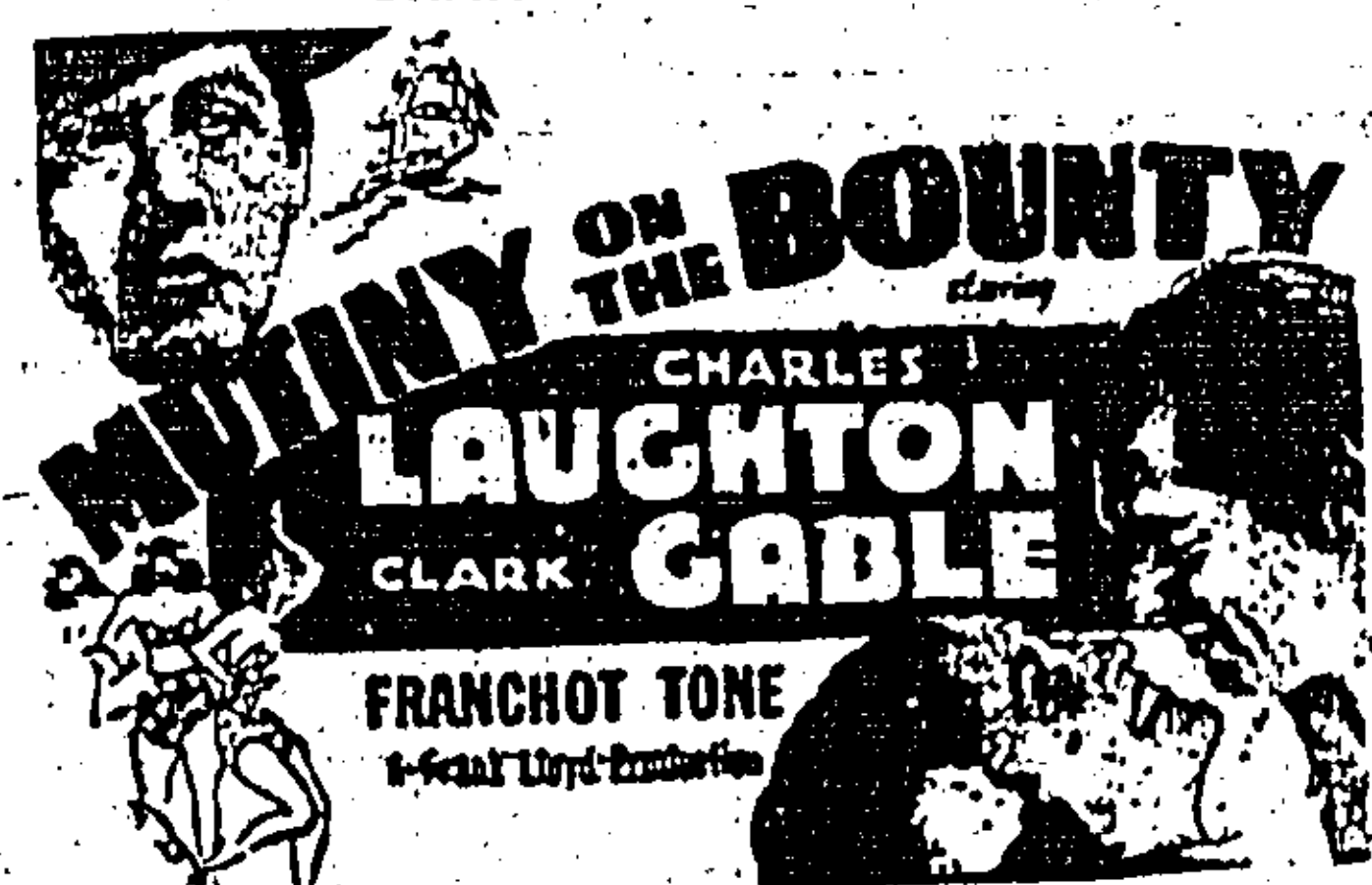
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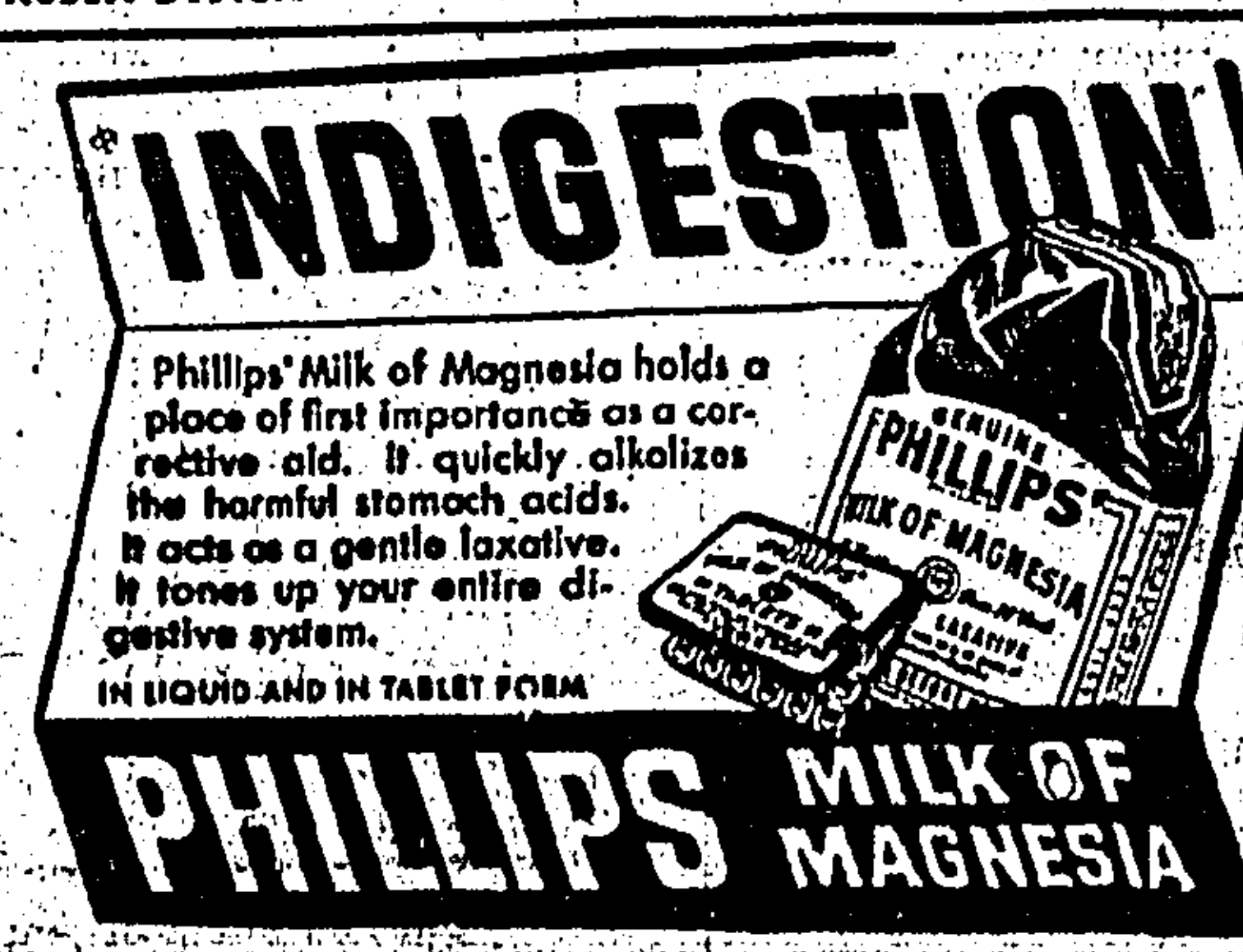


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